The Week

Championship of the Provincia Rights by Conservatives in

Premier Keeps Westerners In Line by Dangling Vacant Portfolio.

Parliament All Agog to Learn Nature of Autonomy Bill Compromise.

From Our Own Correspondent.

TTAWA, March 18 .- The debate on Wednesday on the autonomy bill goes far to strengthen the bill goes far to strengthen the opinion of those who hold that educational questions should be left to the provinces to which they rightly belong. Not for many years has there long. Not for many years has there been a debate in the Commons characterized by so much acerbity. Mr. Foster in the early evening delivered to an alarm of fire, was forced to take the sidewalk through another vehicle being in the way. The woman was killed almost instantly, the three truck in parliament, in which he scored the ministers for the humiliating spectacle they presented at the present time. He then contrasted what Premier Laurier said when he posed as a strong champion of provincial rights with his chief. The driver of the other vehicle. champion of provincial rights with his chief. The driver of the other vehicle course this year. The premier had claimed that his desire was to crown with absolute and complete autonomy the territorial administration, but everyone behind knew ten minutes later that autonomy would not be com-plete. It could not be said that the bill was the result of consultation with the representatives of the Northwest was no representative in the t from the Northwest. It had no friend in the cabinet. Parliament was not legislating today for Nova Scotia New Brunswick, Quebec or Ontario, but for the great West, and this with-out Mr. Sifton being a member of the cabinet. The premier was dangling the caonet. The premier was danging the portfolio of the interior before Western followers to keep them quiet. Mr. Foster warned Sir Wilfrid that the financial clauses would bring on him ands for better terms for every of the Dominion. It was when the properties of the boundary of the house \$2.

Fitzpa His Head.
The minister or justice lost his The minister of pusice lost his head at the very outset by charging the Conservatives with appealing to prejudices, and that they would find their appeals nothing but broken, as in 1896, when they sought to appeal to the prejudices of the Catholics of Canada. Proceeding, Mr. Fitzpatrick declared the Conservatives in the House were sending out two sets of petitions, one to inflame the Protestants, the other to stir us atholics. He declared the latter were being circulated in the province of Quebec by the secretary of the Jacques Cartler Club, which extended hospitality to the leader of the opposition within the past ten days. Ministerialist cheered this remark. Mr. Borden rose and said if every other statement of the ministre of justice was as devoid of truth as their target. lics. He declared the latter, were being circulated in the province of Quebec by the secretary of the Jacques Cartier Club, which extended hospitality to the leader of the opposition within the past ten days. Ministerialist cheered this remark. Mr. Borden rose and said if every other statement of the ministre of justice was as devoid of truth as that just uttered—here an uproar drowned his voice. When Mr. Borden was heard again he asked Mr. Fitzpatrick to make good the statement or withdraw it. The minister then had to hunt his hole, admitting his statement was incorrect. Mr. Borden taked Mr. Fitzpatrick to make good the statement was incorrect. Mr. Borden taked Mr. Fitzpatrick to make good the statement was incorrect. Mr. Borden taked Mr. Fitzpatrick to make good the statement was incorrect. Mr. Borden taked Mr. Fitzpatrick to make good the statement was incorrect. Mr. Borden taked Mr. Fitzpatrick to make good the statement of the minister then had to hunt his hole, admitting his statement was incorrect. Mr. Borden taked Mr. Fitzpatrick to make good the statement of the minister of justice was as devoid of truth as that just uttered—here an uproar drowned his voice. When Mr. Borden to fit the Japanese are in an excited state and say notification has been received that the Japanese will enter Harbin. April 10. Many Chinese refugees are arriving from the south. They report ill-treatment by Japanese and say that Russian translator." They say also that the Japanese take all supplies gratically and the south. They report ill-treatment by Japanese and say that Russian translator." They say also that the Japanese take all supplies gratically and the south. They report ill-treatment by Japanese and say that Russian translator." They say also that the Japanese take all supplies gratically and the south. They report ill-treatment by Japanese and say that Russian translator." They say also that the Japanese take all supplies gratically and the south. They was a devonward and placarded, "The great Russian translator." The

casions this week. The church authorities are strongly opposed to any recession from the original proposition, but it is said Sir Wilfrid Laurier strongly impressed upon them that in the present temper of public opinion the only course that can be adopted is one of conciliation.

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It is stated today that the school clause now contains a simple declaration that in the distribution of money to schools the legislature shall not discriminate against any particular class of schools. The Liberal papers announce that this modification has been accepted by the Western delegation.

Hon. R. Prefontaine made an announcement in the House this week that a channel thirty feet deep and 450 feet wide, between Montreal and Quebec, would be completed in 1907 Montrela then would be in a position to compete on fairly equal terms with other great ports of the continent. This work originally was begun in 1854, when only eleven feet of water was available. Since dredging work commenced \$7,828,306 have been expended, of which \$5,187,114 were spent on dredging; the remainder on plant and surveys. The cost had been large but the results justify the policy that dictated it. Hon. R. Prefontaine made an announcement in the House this week that a channel thirty feet deep and 450 feet wide, between Montreal and 1 Quebec, would be completed in 1907 Montrela then would be in a position to compete on fairly equal terms with other great ports of the continent. This work originally was begun in 1854, when only eleven feet of water was available. Since dredging work commenced \$7,828,306 have been expended, of which \$5,187,114 were spent on dredging; the remainder on plant and surveys. The cost had been large but the results justify the policy that dictated it.

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William Maclean, Logan and other members congratulated Sir William Mulock on his stand, but expressed the opinion that he should go farther and include the telegraphs in the enquiry certain legislation.

The fisheries department has issued tatement that 473,000,000 were proar, of which the Fraser river pro-ced 6.584,000, Granite Creek and amous, 3,000,000, Nimkish river 96,000, and Skeena river 4,000,000. F. W. Ashton has been appointed lieutenant in the Sixth Regiment.

trail to Dawson entirely in Canadian territory. The trail will be over a thousand miles long and will be provided with shelter huts at the end of each day's march, or about twenty or thirty miles apart. Parliament voted \$25,000 last session for the work, and a similar sum will be voted this session. It is hoped to complete the work this season.

RAILWAYS ASK PROTECTION.

BRITISH

Tokio, March 18.—The British steamer Mars, while attempting the passage of Soya Straits, bound for Valdivostok, was caught in the ice and is stranded on Suele promontory. The crew abandoned the vessel and landed on the Island of Hokkaido. The Mars is a vessel of 2,497 tons register and in command of Captain Runfell. She sailed from Barry, Wales, November 26.

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Warsaw, March 18.—The directors of the Vistula railroad have asked for troops to guard the bridges between Siedles and Malkin in consequence of the receipt of letters threatening their destruction. There has been recrudes—isted of three delivery and the conding to statements made by prisoners the force of the enemy resisting north of Tie Pass Wednesday, March 15, conditions of the conditions. the receipt of letters threatening their destruction. There has been recrudes-cence of strike agitation in the Lodz district. A party of strike leaders district. A party of strike leaders forced workmen at the mills at Pablan-ice to leave their work but the men re-fused. A fight followed an agitator was killed and others were wounded.

KILLED BY FIRE ENGINE.

In Attempting to Clear Obstructing Carriage Driver Kills Three People.

New York, March 18.-An unidenti-

DELINQUENTS ARE PUNISHED. Artillerymen Implicated in Neva Incident Are Sentenced.

St. Petersburg, March 18.—The secret police of Moscow have discovered an organizating acting in conjunction with the revolutionary party in London, and 300 persons already have been arrested. The police found in a store an infernal machine, hand bombs and a quantity of explosives and weapons, together with printing presses and revolutionary documents, included among the latter being letters to the central committee, and correspondence relating to the assassination of Grand Duke Sergius. St. Petersburg, March 18.—The verdict of the courtmartial which tried the officers and men of the batteries of artillery from one of which a shell was fired during the blessing of the waters of the Neva. on Jan. 19, scattering missiles in the vicinity of the imperial pavilion, was announced today. Capt. Davidoff and Sub-Lieut, Kearzeff, of the 17th battery, were found guilty of neglect of duty and sentenced to be dismissed from the army and to imprisonment in the fortress, the former to a year and finalt, the latter one year and five months. Sub-Lieut. Roth, Jr., was sentenced to imprisonment for a year and four months, Lieut. Roth, Sr., to detention in quarters for three months, and two gunners to detention with disciplinary but quarters for three months, and two gunners to detention with disciplinary battalions for two years. Lieut. Col. Polyseff and Gunner Patrikeff were acquitted. The court found there was no connection on the part of any of those on trial with a plot to assassinate the Emperor.

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minister then had to hunt his hole, admitting his statement was incorrect. Mr. Borden tackled Mr. Fitzpatrick again and made him take back the statement that Quebec petitions emanated from gentlemen on the Conservative side of the House. Cornered once more, Mr. Fitzpatrick claimed he never uttered the words, a statement which was challenged by many members. The upshot of the discussion was only to create bad blood and for this Mr. Fitzpatrick largely was responsible.

Proposed School Compromise.

Parliament is all agog now as to the nature of the compromise which the government will propose on the school question. Sir Wilfrid Laurier has been in conference with Mons. Sbaretti, papal delegate, on several occasions this week. The church authorities are strongly opposed to any recession from the original proposition.

MILITARY DEMORALIZATION.

ese dogs are not deserving of other treatment."

The population of Bodun, southwest of Harbin, southwest of Harbin, fears the arrival of the Japanese. In another place Christian Chinese are carried Mantzyr, a noted Chinese was owned and operated by Messrs. Ironside, Rannie & Campbell, the well-known contracting firm of Vancouver, who made big money out of her, but who, owing to their large contracts down here, are now closing out their northern interests. The White Pass brought him to Bodun after beating off attempts at rescue. It is reported among the Mongollans that some time ago a large body of Japanese penetrated into the country westward of Simmintin, but were expelled by Prince Diku. The Chinese are reported to have sent out a second and larger detachment. With the many wounded who are arriving at Harbin from the southward are crowds of Russian inhabitants of the region contracting firm of Vancouver, who made big money out of her, but who, owing to their large contracts from more of the Sannie & Campbell, the well-drown contracting from the vancouver, who made big money out of her, but who, owing to their large to a fear hot desired who, are a reported among to be a fe

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Peace Proposals Disappear. ing upon a thorough investigation of the telephone question is regarded as a very important matter. For years past in Canada there has been friction between municipalities and telephone companies. Sir William Mulock declared there was no utility, outside of the post office, that touched the people more than telephones. He believed the day not far distant when the telephones in England absolutely would pass under state control, and Canada ought to be ready with information that would enable her to act when the proper time arrived.

Peace Proposals Disappear.

The peace proposals, although recently considered bright, now seem to have disappeared. The officials say this is due mainly to Japan's insistence that Russia will sue for peace, whereas Russian pride prevents her from taking the initiative. Therefore, it is believed, the war will be indefinitely prolonged with the prospect of a steady series of Japanese successes about Mukden. Japan's insistence that Russia will sue for peace, whereas Russian pride prevents her from taking the initiative. Therefore, it is believed, the war will be indefinitely prolonged with the prospect of a steady series of Japanese successes about Mukden. Japan's insistence that Russia will sue for peace, whereas Russian pride prevents her from taking the initiative. Therefore, it is believed, the war will be indefinitely prolonged with the prospect of a steady series of Japanese successes about Mukden. Japan's insistence that Russian pride prevents her from taking the initiative. Therefore, it is believed, the war will be indefinitely prolonged with the prospect of a steady series of Japanese postored to be one of the momentous epochs of the war and as marking the first Japanes postored to steady series of Japanese postored to steady series of Japanes postored to steady series of Japanese postored to steady series of Japanese postored to steady series of Japanese postored t

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RHODES' SCHOLARSHIPS IN N. Y.

President of Cornell States That All Candidates Have Failed.

Ithica, N. Y., March 18.-President

the qualifying examination for the 1905

Brooklyn, and Ralph C. Williard,

FIND INFERNAL MACHINES.

Company was denounced, the producers did not lose sight of the fac

ducers did not lose sight of the fact that in order to win their fight they must act. Among the delegates were several leading state legislators. Governor Hoch was the centre of attention. Ida M. Tarbell was also received enthusiastically. Among those present were former Governor North of North Dkaota, and Frank S. Monett, of Ohio.

TEN MEN KILLED IN MINES.

Explosion in Virginia Causes Grea

Destruction to Life and Property.

Charleston, W. Va., March 18.—An explosion occurred at the mines of the New River Smokeless Coal and Coke Company at Rush Rum tonight, in which ten men were killed.

The explosion was in the Rush Runnine and extended through to the Red

Ash mine, nearly two miles away, and great flames of fire burst out of the mouths of both mines.

There were about five men in each

EARTHQUAKE IN NAPLES.

Moscow Police Make Hundreds of A

Deal Closed For 17,000 Acres In the Bulkley Valley District. of the Pass Wednesday, March 15, consisted of three divisions.

"Gen. Kuropatkin personally commanded during the battle in the neighborhood of Tie Pass Tuesday, March 14."

N CONNECTION with the some-what prolonged solourn of the gen-eral manager of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway on this coast, sug-Schurman of Cornell was notified to-day that not a single candidate taking gestion has been conveyed that there was more purpose in his mission than was disclosed to superficial view. Mr. Morse is in practice one of the most efscholarship from New York d succeeded. The New York state had succeeded. The New York state scholars for the present year will, therefore, have to be chosen from ficient railway men on the continent, and

the men who passed the qualifying examination last year and who have now passed the age limit. The men thus eligible are: Geo. M. Falcon, Brooklyn, student in Columbia University; Henry M. McCracken, New York University; Afred J. Jallon, Brooklyn, and Belak G. William and State of the grand Trunk Pacific representatives may have seemed like a vain pretence. Not so to those who looked beneath the surface, and sought for reasons for their presence.

Therefore it will come to some with-Therefore it will come to some without surprise that before his departure from Victoria Mr. Morse closed one of the most important deals, judged by all its interlocutory aspects, that has for some time been recorded on the Pacific coast. On Friday last he appended his signature to a contract by which some 17,000 acres of valuable coal lands were transferred to a company subsidiary to the powerful corporation of which he is one of the representative heads.

Lands Near Hazelton. menthe, hand bombs and a quantity of explosives and weapons, together with printing presses and revolutionary documents, included among the latter being letters to the central committee, and correspondence relating to the assassination of Grand Duke Sergius.

CEREBRAL-SPINAL MENINGITIS.

Astonishing Prevalence of Disease in New York Unaccounted For.

New York, March 18.—Cerebral-spinal meningitis, which has been so prevalent in New York during the winter, has claimed 386 lives since January 1. Most of the victims were children. Five have died every day for eleven weeks as against one a day for eleven weeks as more of which snow and ice, relics of the big storm, still remain. The health commissioner, however, says the disease cannot be traced to the streets.

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Well-known Sternwheeler Bought by White Pass and Yukon.

An important deal has just been completed whereby the White Pass & Yukon Railway Company becomes the owner of the steamer Casca, which has been on the run between White Horse and Dawson for the past four years or so. The Casca was one of the "independent" fleet and is the largest and best appointed, as well as the most speedy steamer on the Yukon. She shown contracting firm of Vancouver, in convenience of the pass of the prospector's observation. The capacity of the areas was subsequently determined by practical investigation, which established the fact that there was enough good coal in the region to supply all possible demands for an indefinite period. The deposits werd reported upon by Mr. O. E., Sheppard, M. E., and also by Mr. McEvoy, an expert associated with coal mining operations in the Crow's Nest. The coal is of the bituminous variety, and is said to be exactly similar to that produced in the famous Fernie district. Valuable deposits of anthracite coal have been located some distance northers who, owing to their large contracts down here, are now closing out their northern interests. The White Pass Company is said to heave reliated with that great undertaking.

Part of Great Scheme. Although the deal just closed is subsidiary to the greater transcontinental railway enterprise, it is none the less a part of that scheme. The one is intimately connected with the other, and from a provincial point of view the transaction may be considered as an indication that the Grand Trunk Pacific managers are not impervious to the legitimate claims of British Columbia upon their attention. In fact it has been intimated on very good authority that the possibility of coal demands, not only from prospective markets along the line, but from railway steamship lines within prospective creation of the company, were contemplated in the purchase. The preliminary exploitation of the new coal beds will be vigorously proceeded with in the near future, and operations will be enlarged or otherwise as seems justifiable by the conditions which may be created by the advent of the big trans-Canada line. Although the deal just closed is sub-Kansas City, Mo., March 18.—A special to the Star from Independence, Kansas, says: "When the convention of oil producers of Kansas was called to order here today to map out its fight against the Standard Oil Company, there were 3,000 persons present. The organization effected early in the winter at Toronke to fight for in the winter at Topeka to fight for legislation was made permanent. Many speeches were delivered today, devoted strictly to the business end of the situation. While the Standard Oil

The energetic development of these coal measures of course largely depends upon the creation of markets which would follow the construction of the line.

Capt. S. F. Scott Victim Of Train

Well-Known and Adventurous Commander Meets Death In Railway Accident.

Hero of the "West Indian" Incident at Coronel - Several Times Shipwrecked.

mine who stayed there at night to take care of the mine, and all were kill-ed. The interior of the mines are in such a state at this hour that it is im-A telegram from Astoria to Captain Locke, on Friday, contained the news ossible for anyone to enter to investiof the death at that Oregon town of injuries received in a railway accident, the exact nature of which is not mad: Repeated Shocks Cause Panic Near the City.

New York, March 18.—A. Naples despatch to the Herald says repeated shocks of earthquakes were felt here today (Friday) and at Avellino and Benevento. In several places the inhabitants fell into a panic but no serious damage resulted. clear, of Captain S. F. Scott-widely known in shipping circles the world over New York, March 18.—A. Naples despatch to the Herald says repeated shocks of earthquakes were felt here today (Friday) and at Aveilino and Benevento. In several places the inhabitants fell into a panic but no serious damage resulted.

Naples, March 18.—Mount Vesuvius is again in eruption and is throwing out burning lava, red hot stones and a high column of smoke, while detonations are heard at long distances. The eruption is attributed to an earthquake, which was felt for eighty miles.

Many foreigners have been attracted by the magnificent spectacle, but are unable to approach the crafer because of the immense quantities of incandescent matter that is being enitted.

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Beach, Ore. The body of the deceased skipper is now at Portland, whence it will be forwarded to Vancouver for interment in Mountain View cemetery be-

will be forwarded to Vancouver for interment in Mountain View cemetery beside his wife and daughter.

The late Captain S. F. Scott was a native of St. John, N. B., and about 54 years of age. Given by nature, a herculean frame, he applied himself in boyhood to developing his magnificent strength, and when still a very young man joined for a time the circus of Barnum, Bailey & Hutchison, appearing as the "strong man," and being, it is said, the first athlete to venture the feat of holding a piece of artillery while it was fired. The environments of the circus not appealing to him, the captain soon fortsook the tented arena, and sought adventure and commerce upon the sea, being a capable and daring navigator and a keen business man. He made numerous long voyages, seven times encircling the globe, and being imbued with a natural love for speculation and adventure, participated in several of Development Depends Upon
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and adventure, participated in several of the many revolutions with which the Central and South American republies were well supplied until very recent

at the time of the Chilean revolution fifteen years or so ago, the captain was chief owner and commander of the steel steamship West Indian, which was engaged to deliver a cargo of baled hay somewhere in the ueighborhood of the disordered country. In the hay were arms and ammunition, and the warships of the Chilean government were not seen the control of the Chilean government were not seen the control of the Chilean government were not seen the control of the chilean government were not seen the control of the chilean government were not seen the chilean government the of the Chilean government were not so innocent as to not suspect that hay may be anything in time of war. In the little port of Coronel the warship Esmeralda overhauled the innocent trader, and ordered her to heave too until her cargo was subjected to search. Search meant confiscation, and no one knew it better than Captain Scott, and the steamer was argely his own property, and represented about the total of his worldly fortune. He protested that he was a British sub-ject—that he commanded a vessel flying the British flag, and that he had British

the British flag, and that he had British mails aboard and was in a hurry.

The commander of the Esmeralda was sorry to inconvenience, but insisted.

Then Captain Scott assumed well simulated wrath. It was an outrage, he said, and one to which he, as a British sailor would never submit. He had a good steel ship and he was going out of harbor; if a shot was fired or any attempt made to interfere with his progress, he would turn the West Indian apon the warship, give the signal for full upon the warship, give the signal for full steam ahead, and all would go down to-gether.

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Perhaps it was only a bluff—but the reputation of the captain was that while he would bluff if possible, still if forced to the issue he would make good.

And so the Esmeralda stood aside and the West Indian escaped, her skipper subsequently landing his mysterious cargo, receiving a good profit thereon, and having an excellent story wherewith to regale the reporters when the West Indian next made fast her lines at the Victoria wharves.

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It was at the early age of thirteen that Captain Scott took to the sea, and at 21 he had succeeded to the command of a brig called the Temple, employed in the West Indian trade. In this vessel he was accompanied by Captain Locke of this city, as chief officer, until one stormy night, Christmas eve, 1874, when the vessel was dismasted, and went to wreck on the rocky coast off Cape Hatteras. The ship's company, including the young skipper, were rescued by the brig Bdish Hose and landed in New York on New Year's day. After this the captain was master of the brigs Charles A. Booy and R. B. Gove, engaged in the Atlantic trade, and following these he commanded the brig James Seymour, sailing in her to the East Indies on several voyages. On one of these trips he was accompanied by his first wife, who died of fever at Calcutta and was buried there. The next deck trod by Captain Scott was that of the Royal Harry, a large ship of the clipper type famous in those days for her sailing qualities. Subsequently he commanded a steamer out of Cardiff in the Black Sea trade, and later on having accumulated some money, he bought an interest famons in those days for her sailing qualities. Subsequently he commanded a steamer out of Cardiff in the Black Sea trade, and later on having accume lated some money, he bought an interest in a sailing vessel, the barque Venture, and with her started on a voyage, with general cargo out of Liverpool, around the Horn. On this enterprise he was destined to meet his second marine misadventure, for the vessel foundered in a terrific gale near the Equator, on the western coast of South America. This was about 1882. The captain, with his second wife and two children, were picking a terrific gale near the Equator, on the second wife and two children, were picking a terrific gale near the Equator, on the second wife and two children, were picking a terrific gale near the Equator, on the second wife and two children, were picking a terrific gale near the Equator, on the second wife and two children, were picking a terrific gale near the Equator, on the second wife and two children, were picking a terrific gale near the Equator, on the second wife and two children, were picking a terrific gale near the Equator, on the second wife and two children, were picking a terrific gale near the Equator, on the second wife and two children, were picking a terrific gale near the Equator, on the second wife and two children, were picking a terrific gale near the Equator, on the second wife and two children, were picking a terrific gale near the Equator, on the second wife and two children, were picking a terrific gale near the Equator, on the second wife and two children were coast of South America. This second wife and two children were constained as the second wife and two children were constructed to the second wife and two children were constituted to the second wife and two children were constained as the second wife and two children were constained as the second wife and two children wife and the second was a situated to the second wife and two children were const of the Laao in the second was a situated to the second was a sit Oddly enough, Mr. Stevenson is now in

Victoria on a visit, and with Captain Locke, was one of the first to hear of the tragic death of the gallant old sea dog whom they both knew so favorably and whom they both knew so favorably and so well.

Mr. Stevenson recalls many stirring incidents in the career of this mighty man of the sea. It is related, for instance, that on one occasion in San Francisco his ship was the scene of a quarrelsome mutity. Captain Scott mastered the rebels single handed, and by main force subjected the bully of the company to au unwelcome voyage. In

by main force subjected the bully of the company to an unwelcome voyage. In Liverpool he was set upon by a number of "sluggers," purposely employed to do him up. The onslaught occurred on the docks, near his vessel, and the captain spurning the odds against him, supplied a company of his crew with cutlasses "to enforce the Marquis of Queensberry rules," and pounded the whole gang of his would-be assailants in turn. So much so that each and every one of them had to be carried off the wharf.

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Berlin, March 19 .- The Frankfurter Berlin, March 19.—The Frankfurter Zeitung says that the negotiations with Berlin banks for the Japanese loan are nearing conclusion. The loan will be at five per cent. interest, but its amount is not stated. The German-Asiatic bank heads the group of banks interested. The other banks include all of the larger Berlin institutions.

Received From the Front Allays Fear of Army's Capture.

GERMAN COLONISTS UNRULY.

Berlin, March 18 .- In the Reichstag today Dr. Stuebel, a doctor of the col-onial office, during the debate on the colonial budget, said he had received disquieting news from the Cameroons, German West Africa, where the natives showed symptoms of unrest, requesting two more companies of troops, which would be sent.

EULOGIES FOR KUROPATKIN. Leading French Journals Regret General's Abrupt Recall.

Paris, March 19.—The French press this morning devotes culogistic articles to Gen. Kuropatkin, expressing regret at the Emperor's abrupt recall of commander-in-chief. The Echo de Paris says that Grand Duke Nicholas Nicholaivich has been or-dered to start for Manchuria to investigate the situation there, and this repo-will result in a decision as to a conti-uation of war or peace.

EMPEROR WILLIAM'S TRIP. His Majesty and Party to Visit the Mediterranean.

Berlin, March 18.-Emperor William with a number of guests will sail from Cuxhaven for the Mediterranean on the Hamburg of the Hamburg-American Hamburg of the Hamburg-American steamship company. The steamer has been completely altered for the Emperor's convenience. On the main deck eight cabins have been transferred for the Emperor's use into a work room, drawing room and bedroom and several new cabins have been built for the suite. The Emperor will tranship to the Imperial yacht Hohenzollern at Naples.

CAPTURED BY ARABS. French Count Falls Victim to Moroc can Bandits.

Paris, March 18.—Count De Segon zao, who was sent by the Moroccan commission to investigate the commer-cial conditions of Morocco, has been captured by Arabs. The case resembles the Perdicaris affair. The commis-sioner received a despatch from the count's interpreter briefly announcing Desegonzao's capture as the result of the treachery of an Arab shelk, but not giving particulars. The incident causes excitement owing to France's policy of assuming paramount control in Mo-

WINNIPEG WIRINGS.

Winnipeg, March 18.—Among new companies incorporated here are North American investment company, limited, capital half million. The Great West Farm and Land company, two hundred thousand. Norris Implement company, capital one hundred thousand. Brandon Hardware company, capital sixty thousand. Brandon Times Publishing company, capital forty thousand. Lake Manitoba will probably be closed to company fishing by Dominion government owing to the waters being depleted by wholesale fishing.

Rev. W. C. Vincent resigned the pastorate of the Logan avenue Baptist

it is not understood why so small a sum as \$120,000 should cause the United States and Great Britain to hesitate in its payment. The delay has, it is pointed out, been out of proportion to the amount of the claims and as the the amount of the claims and as the damages are owing, according to the arbitration to a lot of indignant persons the impression is that Great Britain and the United States have shown delay amounting to indifference. It is admitted unofficially however that the claims for \$120,000 which were prepared by an American lawyer are in excess of the actual loss. Germany has not made any proposition to the United States or Great Britain, but would probably accept one half the amount of States or Great Britain, but would probably accept one half the amount of the claims if it was offered. The sum of \$25,000 mentioned in an American despatch as being all the claims are worth is looked upon here as a sort of bartering offer not becoming the subject in controversy. The German government has informed the United States and Great Britain as a result of negotiations that were begun March 10 that she is about to make a joint offer.

RUSSIAN CAVALRY DISPERSED.

Washington, March 18.—The Japanese legation today received the following cablegram from the foreign office at Tokio: "On Thursday last our detachment on the right side of the Liao river dispersed eight Russian cavalry squadrons which had artillery with them, and thus occupied the heights north of Tie Pass on the right side of the Liao, and cannonaded the retreating enemy, which consisted of one infantry division and ten cavalry squadrons."

Mayor Osaki read a congratulatory telegram to be seen to Field Marshal Oyama on behalf of the municipality, the crowd cheering its approval.

Lieut.-Gen. Terauchi, minister of war, and Admiral Yamamato, minister of the navy, spoke on behalf of the army and navy respectively, thanking the people for the support they had given the government during the war.

Sports in the afternoon and a display of fireworks tonight concluded the cemonstration.

Linevitch Heard From

Capture,

Disquieting News Received From West Retirement is in Full Progress But no Light Thrown on Losses.

> For Present Internal Conditions of the Empire Are Better.

> CT. PETERSBURG, March 19.-(1 a. m.)—Reports received from the retreating commanders in Manchuria, which were issued last night, while relieving the immediate fear of the Russian people that the Manchurian army already is cut off and confirming informericing already received that firming information already received that the retirement is in full progress, throw no further light on the condition of, or the losses of the army and contain no disquieting information.

disquieting information.

The city of Fakoman, which is well in the Russian rear, has been seized by a force given out as Chinese bandits, but which was a Japanese column. From Fakoman one road leads to Kaiyuan, about 20 miles north of Tie pass, and the great Chinese road runs northward, paralleling the railroad and offering to a force there the alternative of striking directly to the Russian line or pushing on toward the Sungari river along the highway, which is better than the road over which Gen. Linevitch will have to retreat. The new commander in chief retreat. The new commander in chief will need all the strategic qualities of Kuropatkin to effect the safely.

How far or how rapidly Field Mar How far or how rapidly Field Marshal Oyama will be able to continue pursuit remains to be seen, but the Chinese at Harbin expect him there April 10, and if this opinion proves to be founded on a Japanese proclamation many persons here, remembering the fulfilment of Oyama's assurances regarding the occupation of Mukden on March 10, will be inclined to accept three weeks as the inclined to accept three weeks as the

The War Will Continue.

The Russian government continues to declare that whatever may be the fate of Harbin and of the present eastern army, the war will continue. Vice-Admiral Rojestvensky's orders to try issues with Vice-Admiral Togo have not been cancelled. Preparations for the mobilization of a new army are continuing, and the finance department is busy with measures to provide necessary funds.

The lapse of a full week since the beginning of the retreat from Mukdenfinds Russia in almost complete ignorance of details as to the effect of that reverse. Kuropatkin, before relinquishing his baton, professed himself as unable to give details as to the effect of the defeat at Mukden or to the losses sustained. The public simply knows the losses in killed, wounded and prisoners are great, and is prepared to believe them enormous, though one Russian correspondent expresses the belief that they will not exceed \$0.000 all told. The full respondent expresses the belief that they will not exceed 80,000 all told. The full story of the awful retreat from Mukden to Tie Pass also remains to be told.

Later reports received confirm the first statement that the bulk of the armies retired in good order, the momentary panics affecting only the soldiers who were crowded among the transports in charge of mixed and undisciplined drivers and fleeing civilians, causing the loss, however, of a great amount of suppl and many cannon, which otherwise the would have been able to bring off.

Internal Conditions Better. Though the mobilization orders may bring on disturbances and even uprisings for the moment, the internal conditions are better. The principal peasant disturbances have been quieted, though sporadic disorders still exist, but there has been no general spread as was dreaded and the authorities have manifested their ability to come with the sitfested their ability to cope with the sit-uation. The strikes also have largely ceased, and the industrial activity has been resumed until May 1, at least when the social democrats' press profess an intention to repres

the appointment of the senatorial comthe appointment of the senatorial com-mission give hope for better things in the Caucasus. The chief storm centre seems to be Moscow, where the police are discovering evidence of a widespread terrorist plot. The explosion of a bomb in the Theatre square last Monday night is not yet explained, but there have been numerous arrests in connection with the discovery of a store in Moscow, where bombs and explosives werq found. The police are making practically no progress in unraveling the plot which resulted in the death of Grand Duke Sergius. The assassin is to the authorities a second "Man with the iron mask."

SAMOAN CLAIMS AGAIN.

Germany's Small Unpaid Bill a Touchy Subject.

Berlin, March 18.—The statement of the Samoan claims has become a rather claims has become a rather claims has become a rather claims in the French markets, are proceeding to a favorable conclusion, and ceeding to a favorable conclusion, and the minister of finance insists that the French agreement will be signed shortly. It has been determined that the new domestic bonds shall run for a period of 80 years.

> U. S. SENATE ADJOURNS. Refuses to Ratify San Domingo Treaty and Ends Session.

Washington, March 18.—At 2 o'clock washington, March 18.—At 2 checks this afternoon the Senate formally reached the decision that the Santo Domingo treaty could not be ratified and a committee was named to notify the President that the Senate was ready to adjourn sine die. The Senate afterwards adjourned sine die.

TOKIO CELEBRATES VICTORY. Exercises Commemorative of Mukden Cause Enthusiasm.

Tokio, March 18.—(Evening)—Thirty thousand persons went to Bibiya today to attend the exercises commemorative of the Japanese victory of Mukden. Members of the cabinet, the elder states men, many officers of the army and navy and members of the Diet were present. Mayor Osaki read a congratulatory telegram to be sent to Field Marshal Oyama on behalf of the municipality, the crowd cheering its approval.

English Correspondent Gives Some Startling Facts About Kuropatkin,

General Took Plenty of Time to Make Sure of His Own

Drunken Cossacks Committed Many Outrages on the Civilians.

ONDON, March 17.—A despatch to the Daily Telegraph from Sin-mintin, descriptive of the fighting around and the fall of Mukden, around and the fall of Mukden, gives some interesting news. It appears that General Kuropatkin left for Tie pass on horseback on March 8, his staff following by train the next day. On March 10, Cossacks, maddened with drink, committed the wildest excesses and robberies, and killed numerous civilians in Mukden. The Russian retreat from Mukden station was well executed until it was discovered that the cordon of Japanese in the rear, two the cordon of Japanese in the rear, two and a half miles from town, was nearly complete, when the retirement became the day was a particularly quiet one in the law courts. There was but one application in chambers of a very un-

The Russian left army, comprising some 150,000, according to the same despatch, was cut off by the Japanese, but is said to have, by forced marches from Fushun and Tungfu by way of Lichiatun, Wayanocheng and Sunchiati. Lichiatun, Wayanocheng and Sunchiati, splendidly executed a junction with the main body at Tie pass in three days.

The correspondent at Tokio of the Daily Telegraph learns that the Japanese left army advanced towards Mukden at flying speed, and in the last four days covered respectively 30, 35, 20 and 15 miles. One force was sent specially to search for Gen. Kuropatkin and his staff, but they had already gone.

Will Retreat to Harbin. A despatch to the Daily News from Tokio today says: "Tie pass, which was held by about a division of Russian troops, is now in possession of the Jap-

sians evacuated at midnight the strong positions they had prepared months ago, setting fire to the railway station and other buildings. The Japanese troops which occupied Yinpao and East Fushun are in hot pursuit along the Kirin road. "It is predicted that the Russians will retreat to Harbin.

"Tokio is preparing a municipal cele-

JAPAN WANTS MONEY.

Berlin, March 16.—The Lokal An-ager says Japan is sounding German anciers with reference to the placing of a Japanese loan on the German market. The results of the interchange of views are not yet known, but it is not improbable, the Lokal Anzeiger says, that bankers will agree to accept Japan's offer. The conference thus far has been merely preliminary

TO FORTIFY FRONTIERS.

Rome, March 16.—In view of the international situation which has prevailed since Italy entered the triple alliance in 1882, she has entirely neglected her fortifications on the eastern frontier, centering all her efforts on fortifying the western frontier, as Italy's relations with France were so strained that under Premier Crispi conflict seemed imminent. Since 1889, however, the most friendly relations have been re-established with France and the opinion now prevails here that all the opinion now prevails here that all the opinion row prevails here that all the opinion frontiers should be equally pro-

New York, March 16.—Rear Admiral C. H. Davis, U. S. N., returned from Europe tonight on the steamer Finland. When asked at quarantine regarding the report that the King of England wished to honor him, Rear Admiral Davis replied that the report was true; that Lord Lansdowne had telegraphed him at Paris requesting him to express to Admiral Davis the King's regret that the admiral did not intend to stop in London, as King Edward would have been pleased to receive him. The admiral was unable to go, however.

In regard to the North Sea commission, Admiral Davis said that the finding was satisfactory to the British, and that in fact no other finding was possible under the evidence produced.

"I want to say," said Admiral Davis, "that it was said ni Paris through the press that the members of the commission had been instructed as to their findings by their respective governments. This I want to deuy. Not a member of

sion had been instructed as to their findings by their respective governments. This I want to deny. Not a member of that commission was instructed by his government and the findings of the tribunal was upon the evidence.

"The evidence was on one side. England had all the facts on her side and won the case." When asked whether it was the fishing smacks or some of the vessels of the Russian fleet that Admiral Rojestvensky saw, he replied: "The

COPPER OPERATOR DEAD.

New York, March 16.—A despatch from Palma Beach, Fla., reports the death of Meyer Guggenheim, the cop-per capitalist. Death was caused by pneumonia. He was 78 years old.

OF INTEREST TO SPORTSMEN. Proprietary Interest in Challenge Cur Subject of Litigation.

An action was begun in the Supreme court yesterday which promises to prove of especial interest to the sportsmen of the city, and particularly those interested in kennel club doings. The style of the action is one between A. J. Garesche on behalf of himself and other members of the Victoria Kennel Club, plaintiffs, and A. Fairfull, defendant. It appears that Mrs. James Dunsmuir, at the Kennel Club show in 1904, offered for competition amongst exhibitors of Irish setters a challenge cup, the same to be for the 1904 show and in subsequent years. The club itself for the same class of dogs offered a special prize, and the latter and the challenge cup were both won by Mr. Fairfull. The latter now, however, refuses to give up the challenge cup for competition at the annual Kennel Club show to be held next month, claiming it as his personal property. The action is taken to compel the defendant to make restitution of the cup, which is a very valuable one. J. M. Bradburn is acting for the plaintiffs, and Yates & Jay for the defendant. No date has yet been set for the trial of the action. On the whole, outside of the above, the day was a particularly quiet one in the law courts. There was but one

NORDENFELDT GUNS **BOUGHT BY AGENT**

Capt. Gaudin Buys Quick-Firers For Fishery Protection

Captain James Gaudin, local agent of marine and fisheries, has purchased from the naval storekeeper at Esquimalt, under instructions from the department at Ottawa, seven Nordenfeldt quickfiring guns. These guns, which are of an obsolete type, were part of the stock of ordnance held at the naval yard at Esquimait and were to have been shipped to England together with the stores of the abandoned station, now being placed on board the British ship Penthilesea, which will be ready to sail tomorrow.

Mr. Harris, naval storekeeper at Esquimalt, approached the local agent of the department of marine and fisheries with regard to the sale of the guns for which the admiralty had no further use, and when Captain Gaudin laid the matter before the minister of his department, he was at once advised by wire to purchase the seven Nordenfeldt guns from the Esquimalt storekeeper.

The seven guns of many barrels and ancient model have been delivered to the agent of marine and fisheries and will be kept here pending instructions from Ottawa as to their disposal. It is understood that the guns are intended for the armament of the fishery protection vessels in the service of the department. The Kestrel, which left last night for Vancouver, has a gun or two of small calibre, and it may be decided to put some of the just purchased guns on the Dominion government steamer.

NEWS OF ROSSLAND CAMP.

opinion now prevails here that all the year and believes that 1905 will prove Italian frontiers should be equally protected, not for aggressive purpose but so that Italy may be ready for all possible occurrences.

The eastern Alps are strictly Italy's

Mr. Thompson said: "Of course I

Warsaw, March 16.—Reservists who were waiting at barracks at Wolkowsk, government of Grodno, formed a conspiracy to make organized disturbances among the troops in order to avoid being sent to Manchuria. The offenders were courtmartialed. Five of them were executed on March 13 and others sentenced for life. The mobilization of the 15th and 19th corps, stationed in Polsad, is expected shortly.

The attempt to call out the reserves in the government of Siedloe, which is the centre of the peasant agitation, is certain to meet with violent opposition.

HARASSED RUSSIAN ARMY IS AGAIN ON THE WING Salonica, European Turkey, March 16.—The report that Apostol, the notorious Bulgarian leader, has been killed, is confirmed. A sharp engagement took place Tuesday between 500 Turkish infantry and cavalry and a strong band of Bulgarians at the village of Smola, near Chevyeli. The Bulgarians were defeated with the loss of 42 killed, including Apostol. The Turks lost three men killed and eight wounded.

From His Last Stronghold in Manchuria and the General Staff Have the Haziest Ideas as to Where Retreat Will End Owing to the Immense Quantities of Ammunition and Stores Destroyed and Apprehension of Supposed Flanking Movement of Mysterious Army of Kawamura. remnants of the vessel must have been they were found at least 100

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the old stations there was also hospita accommodations, so that if Kuropatkin escapes from Oyama at Tipass he has a good country to cross at the most favorable time of the cross at the

laying rearguard encounters may be expected.

Military men here have but the haziest ideas as to where the next stand will be made. Apparently there are no more fortified positions in readiness, and the retirement probably will not stop short of Kirin or Knanchentzy, on the railway line; and if the Japanese press the pursuit, the Russians may retire beyond Anduh and the Sungari river, there to await new levies, the mobilization of which will begin immediately in Russia.

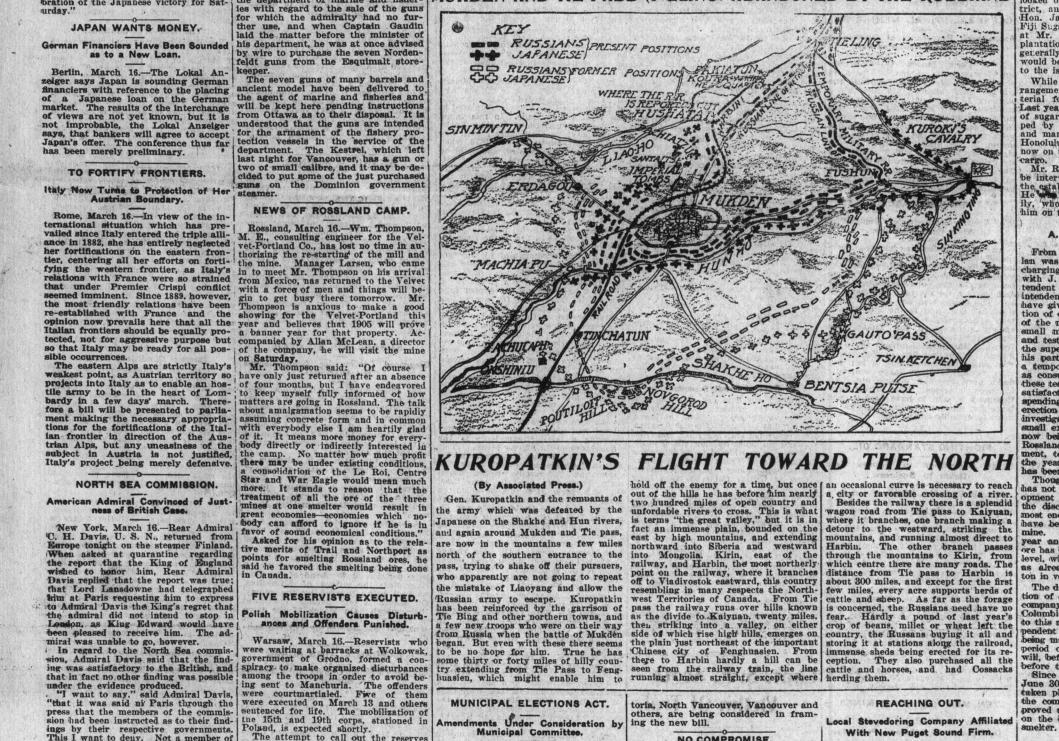
The evacuation of Tie pass involves the loss of the coal mines in that vicin—

mines, is a severe blow. The railway shops at Tie pass and more supplies were sacrificed.

A further mobilization has been determined upon, and preparatory advices to autremasters, etc., are already being issued, but the extent of the mobilization is not known.

No change in the command of the army in the Far East has yet been gateled. Oue high military official told the Associated Press correspondent yesterday that to remove Gen. Kuropatkin at this moment would be "much like Siberian border. These mountains are most formidable, several switch-backs and tunnels being necessary to carry the railway over them.

MUKDEN AND TIE PASS (TIELING) ABANDONED BY THE RUSSIANS



Amendments Under Consideration by Municipal Committee. toria, North Vancouver, Vancouver and others, are being considered in framing the new bill.

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rious Apostol a Victim of Brush Dominion With Turkish Infantry. BULGARIAN LEADER KILLED.

Vancouver Sugar Refiner Returns From Tour of Southern Plantations.

Mr. B. T. Rogers, manager of the British Columbia Sugar Refinery, arriv-ed from Sava by the steamer Aorangi British Columbia Sugar Refinery, arrived from Sava by the steamer Aorangi yesterday. He went south by the Miory wera, and investigated the possibilities with regard to the establishment of a sugar mill in Fiji for the treatment of cane grown by planters. On arrival Mr. Rogers was met by Hon. R. Gemmell Smith, manager of the Colonial Sugar Refinery, a Sydney concern in Fiji, and Col. L. E. Brown, whose guest he was while in Suva. As a guest of the Plantsers' Association he visited Rewa and looked over the plantations in that district, and a visit was paid to Navua, Hon. James Murray, manageq of the Fiji Suzar Co., placing his steam launch at Mr. Rogers' disposal. The Deuba plantations were also visited, It was geterally understood that a crushing mill would be erected as a result of the visit to the islands by Mr. Rogers.

While in Fiji Mr. Rogers made arrangements for the supply of raw material for the refinery at Vancouver, Last year the company bought 3,000 tons of sugar in Fiji, all of which was shipped by the Canadian-Australian liners and many cargoes were received from Honolulu and Java. A sailing vessel is now on the way from Sourabaya with a cargo.

Mr. Rogers was too busy yesterday to Mr. Rogers was too busy yesterday to defer the first in a chair, Doncaster rushed into the room and found Marlott on the floor with a bullet wound in the right side of his head, a 32-calibre revolver lying close to his left hand. The young woman was for a time at least under suspicion, but the firding of a note on the table removed any doubt in the minds of all as to who did the shooting. The note read: "To whom it may concern: There is no one to blame for this but me. The lady does not know anything about this. Please don't blame her for anything. I ask forgiveness from my friends.

(Signed) "C. W. MARLOTT.

"P. S.—I am tired of life."

The young woman explained that she met Marlott for the first time at least under suspicion, but the firding of a note on the table removed any doubt in the minds of all as to who did the

Mr. Rogers was too busy yesterday to be interviewed regarding the project of the establishment of a mill at Honolulu. He was met here by his wife and family, who journeyed to Vancouver with him on the liner.

A. I. Goodell Runs Smelter.

From September 1, 1904, Mr. McMillam was at Rossaad and Northport discharging the duties of general manager, with J. W. Astley as general superintendent and Albert I. Goodell as superintendent of the smelber. The directors have given much attention to the question of concentrating the low-grade ores of the mine. In the month of May a small mill mar Roseland. have given much attention to the question of concentrating the low-grade ores of the mine. In the month of May a small mill near Rossland was leased, and tests were carried out there under the supervision of J. H. Mackenzie and his partner, Fred Bradley, who, under a temporary arrangement, were acting as consulting engineers. The result of these tests, however, was not sufficiently satisfactory to warrant the directors in spending a large sum of money in the erection of a concentrating plant. Other investigations have been made, and a small experimental plant of the own is now being erected by the company at Rossland in which, with better equipment, to make further tests. During the year the development of the mine has been vigorously pushed forward.

Though the ore in the 1,350-foot level has not improved as important a development as Mr. Parrish anticipated, yet the discovery of ore at this depth is most encouraging. Large bodies of ore have been found in other parts of the mine. Since the end of the financial year an important body of high-grade ore has been discovered in the 1,450-foot level, which according to latest advices, as already published, averages \$30 a ton in value and nine feet in width.

The directors have discussed the question of amalgamating with the Le Roi company other large interests in British Columbia. The negotiations in regard to this matter, with the necessary independent examinations which are now being made, must occupy a considerable period of time, and the whole matter will, before any action is taken, be laid before the shareholders.

Since the close of the year ended June 30-last a great improvement has taken place in the financial position of the company, largely owing to the improved methods introduced for carrying on the business both at the mine and smelter.

The Report.

Steady, profits have been reported during the past six months, and at December 31 last the liabilities of the company to the Bank of Montreal amounted to only £17,626, which was more than covered by matte in transit from the Northport smelter to the Tacoma company, who purchased the matte under contract. At the same date the liquid assets of the company exceeded the liabilities by £31,509. The company is now in a stronger financial position than at any time since the year in which it was formed. George S. Waterlow, one of the directors, during the year paid a visit to British Columbia and other parts of Canada with special reference to the consolidation of interests above referred to.

THE CAPTURE OF TIE PASS. nhabitants of New Chwang Jubilant Over Russian Rout.

Newchwang, March 16.—Traffic on the Yinkow-Koupautse-Sinmintin rail-road was reopened today. It is probable that merchants' shipments of provisions will be unquestioned in the future. The inhabitants of Newchwang are jubilant over the capture of Tie pass, which will release, when the river becomes free of ice, a thousand junks which have been long detained in the upper Liao river, having on board vast accumulations of beans and bean cake.

BANK VAULT ROBBED.

Petersburg, Tenn., March 16.—The vault in the bank of Petersburg was blown open today and all the cash was taken. The officials say the thieves retersburg, Tenn., March 16.—The vault in the bank of Petersburg was blown open today and all the cash was taken. The officials say the thieves secured \$7,000. The bank is a state institution.

Tiflis, Caucasia, March 16.—Martial law has been declared in the Ozurgeti and Seenakh districts in the government of Kutais, and also at Gintryschi, in the institution.

News Notes

News Received of Death in Eng land of the Wife of Mr. Walnwright.

Peculiar Circumstances Attend-Ing Suicide of St. Thomas Man at Toronto.

Pioneer Missionary of the Red River Passes Away at

ONTREAL, March 16 .- A cable

GERS PLANS

MILLS AT FIJI

MILLS AT about 11 p. m. prolonged ringing of the electric bell caused Thomas Doncaster, son of the proprietor, to hurry to the

"Let me out," cried the woman, and young Doncaster could not make her understand that the door was locked and the key inside. With a duplicate key the door was opened and the female occupant of the room fell into the arms of the young man. Putting her in a chair, Doncaster rushed into the room and found Mariott on the floor with a bullet wound in the right side of his head, a

Toronto, March 16.—Fourteen hundred settlers from different parts of Ontario left here yesterday for the North-

Campbellford, Ont., March 16.—Thos. B. Lute, a well known resident of this village, and formerly proprietor of the Windsor Hotel here, shot himself yesterday afternoon at his residence. He had not been feeling well for some time, and it is supposed that, becoming despondent, he committed the deed.

Belleville, March 16.—When the case of Frank J. Reilly, the star of the ballot box cases, next to Lott and Shibley, was called this morning, accused failed to appear. His bondsmen also failed to

Woodstock, March 16.—The jury in the Dee poisoning case last night return-ed a verdict that the accused, Lena Dee, was insane and therefore unfit to receive

Red River Missionary Dead. Winnipeg, March 16.—A pioneer missionary of the Red river passed away this afternoon at St. Norbert in the person of Monseigneur Ritchot, for over forty years parish priest there. Monseigneur Ritchot was a very prominent figure in the early days of Manitoba and especially during the Red river rebellion, when he endeavored to keep the French halfbreeds in check. He was one of the delegates of the then provisional government to go to Ot-tawa in 1870 with a bill of rights for tawa in 1870 with a bill of rights for presentation to the federal authorities. He was arrested at Ottawa for alleged complicity in the murder of Thomas Scott, but promptly released when the case came to trial. Deceased was a native of L'Assomption, Quebec, where he was born in 1825, leaving there for the Red river in 1862. He received the title of monseigneur in 1832 when the title of monseigneur in 1893, when the Pope created him apostolic prothonatory in recognition of his services.

At the Winnipeg assizes today three Galicians, panel 1 Galicians named Ivan Roger, Roc Cyncar and Fred. Siverease, on trial the murder of George King, colored, were found guilty of manslaughter. Three others accused were acquitted. The bank clearings for the week were \$5,396,844; 1904, \$4,058,125; 1903, \$3,598,-

POSTPONED RUSSIAN LOAN. Action of Parisian Bankers Keenly Felt at St. Petersburg.

Paris, March 16.-The postponement of the new Russian loan continues to occupy attention in financial investment circles. The bankers think the loan is not a failure and that adjustment may still be reached. One of the bankers who went to St. Petersburg re-lates that during a conversation with M. Witte, the latter replied: "We can afford to suffer a defeat in Manchuria,

but not one in Paris."

This is taken to indicate a strong feeling in St. Petersburg for all possible concessions to maintain Russia's financial position in the French market. The peace movement has gained a strong impetus by the postponement of the loan and this leads to the report that France is adopting strict means to induce the street of t that France is adopting strict means to induce Russia to accept peace. However, authoritative statements are made that France has not taken any action nor has Russia given any indication of willingness to discuss peace.

The Japanese officials thus far have not shown a disposition to accept the view that they should adopt a magnanimous attitude towards Russia.

PEABODY WINS OUT.

Denver, Colo., March 16.—At 5 p. m. the joint convention, by a vote of 55 to 41, adopted the report declaring Peabody to have been elected governor and ousting Adams.

MARTIAL LAW IN CAUCASUS.

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Provincial Legislature

Second Reading of Dyking Act Moved by Minister of Public Works.

Able Expose of Important Sub**ject—Province Assumes Large** Responsibility.

House to Be Photographed Monday—Opposition Advised to **Look Pleasont**

Friday, March 17.

HE House assembled at 2 o'clock, and after prayers were read the following was the order of busi-

Hon. Mr. Tatlow introduced a bill to amend the Horticultural Board Act. The bill to amend the unrepealed sec-tions of the provisions of the Assess-ment Act was further considered of re-

ment Act was further considered of report.

Mr. J. A. Macdonald observed that this bill was professedly designed to enable the government to recover monies from the Le Roi Mining Company. In this connection he announced the receipt of a telegram from the manager of that company denying that the company was indebted to the government as stated on behalf of the province in the House.

Hon. Mr. Tatlow read from the text of a case submitted in the matter of the

of a case submitted in the matter of the Le Roi claim, to show that the government's statement of the matter had been admitted in the proceedings.

The Attorney-General said he certain-

ly would not be prepared to reconsider anything he may have said in this mat-ter, on the strength of the telegram re-ferred to by the leader of the opposi-

Mr. Macdonald went on to read the despatch and subjoined a contention that the settlement of the matter should be left to the courts. He disapproved of intervention in the way proposed by the bill, namely, that the assessment should be subject to revision arguing that the adoption of such a course would tend to keep investors away from the province.

Hon. Mr. Tatlew said the statement entained in the telegram was untrue, and that the sender, if fully cognizant of the facts, must have been aware of its inaccuracy. He thought the government was justified in making provision for the correction of an admittedly inaccurate assessment, based on an incorrect return of assets.

The Premier remarked that the amount of taxation as claimed by the province had been admitted by counsel on either side, when the case was under review. He subjected the leader of the opposition to reproof for continually harping on the theme of blue ruin.

Mr. Oliver claimed that the only answer the Premier could find to opposition arguments was to call them blueruin agitators.

The report was adopted.

Upon the motion for the second reading of the Assessment Act Mr. J. A. Macdonald offered a few observations on the bill. He said the government might expect the hearty co-operation of his party in reviewing it in committee. The Assessment Act of last year, according to his idea, was a monstrosity; therefore the tax commission and the present bill. Had members of the government instead of taking jaunts to the Old Country, given their time to investigating the needs of the various districts, he opined that a much more satisfactory measure might have been evolved.

Mr. Hawthornthwaite wanted to knew if the leader of the opposition could tell him what the provisions of the bill were.

bill were.

Mr. Macdonald said he thought the member for Nanaimo could read the bill. As he understood it dealt with wild lands and personal property.

Mr. Hawthornthwaite replied that this was all he wanted to know. It was quite evident, he remarked facetiously, that the leader of the oppositon had read the bill.

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Dyking Act.

Hen. Mr. Green moved the second reading of the bill to adjust the dyking assessments, which he remarked had been brought down in fulfillment of promises made by the government last year, that the dyking question would be gone into with a view to an equitable readjustment. He reviewed the various transactions by which the dykes had been taken over and augmented by the government and the financial obligations contracted in connection therewith. The work done by the government was undertaken and executed in the public interests, and he believed that generally speaking the expenditures had been well administered. It was only proper therefore that the people in the dyking districts should be looked to for their share.

The cost or constructing all the dykes and the capital charges per acre in respect thereof in each of the districts is and the capital charges per acre in respect thereof in each of the districts is and the capital charges per acre in respect thereof in each of the districts is as follows:

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Pitt Meadows \$83,250.61 \$38.21

Maple Ridge. 201,197.79 \$27.48

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This cost was very much greater than was anticipated. The cost of maintenance lower.

If no reduction were made the people in the dyking districts would have to pay as follows on each acre of land each with German crews and under German flags not a violation of neutrality?"

Chancellor Von Buelow would doubtless send a note to St. Petersburg offering German troops to help suppress it. Herr Bebel said it was all very well for the chancellor to say that the sale offering German troops to help suppress it. Herr Bebel said it was all very well for the chancellor to say that the sale offering German troops to help suppress it. Herr Bebel said it was all very well for the chancellor to say that the sale offering German troops to help suppres

of the financial responsibility. He made an analysis of the assessments under the proposed readjustment in order to show that the taxation was fairly apportioned as between the different dispersion of the financial responsibility. He made and maintenance charges:

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Under the Dyking Drainage and Irrigation Act, 1894, a number of dyking districts were formed—Pitt Meadows, Coquitlam, Matsqui and Sumas. The Maple Ridge district was organized under the Act of 1892, but its debentures were issued under the provisions of the Act of 1894.

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Under the Act of 1894 commissioners were appointed for each of the districts to look after the affairs of constructing and managing the dykes. The commissioners had power to borrow money on the debentures of the districts. Debentures were chargeable against the lands to be benefited by the dykes, and the commissioners were authorized to levy assessments on such lands to raise moneys to pay interest and form a sinking fund to pay the debentures at maturity. The government was also authorized to guarantee two-thirds of the interest on such debentures.

Debentures were issued and disposed of as follows:

Maple Ridge \$126,000
Coquitam 70,000
Pitt Meadows 60,000
Matsqui 50,000
Sumas 18,000

Total\$324,000

The debentures bore interest at 6 per cent per annum, the government guaranteed interest at 4 per cent being two-thirds of the total interest. The government therefore became directly interested in the findncial success of the dykes. After all this money was expended it was found that the dykes were still unfinished and that the estimate of costhad been much too low. The commissioners were unable to raise more money to complete the works and the portions already done were liable to be washed away and all the moneys expended thereon lost—a serious situation for the settlers in those districts. In 1897 an appeal was made to the Legislature for assistance. The government having the dykes made a success. It was pointed out that the government could borrow money much cheaper than the districts and thus save the settlers considerable money in the way of excessive interest charges. Therefore the Legislature passed, in 1897, the Dyking Debenture Loan Act, authorizing the government to purchase the outstanding debentures of the dyking districts and to borrow \$150,000 more money with which to strengthen and complete the various dykes. Under this Act the government issued provincial debentures of the districts and borrowed the \$150,000 additional to complete the dykes. This amount was found insufficient and it

Surrey N. Westminster Dist. generally. N. Westminster Dist. generally. 7,000
Under the Act of 1898 an inspector of dykes was appointed who, on behalf of the government, assumed control of all the dykes, and under whom the Chilliwack dyke was commenced and built. The building of the Chilliwack dyke was approved of by the people of the district in accordance with the Act of 1898. No work was done in any of the other proposed new districts. The amount allotted to Chilliwack was not sufficient to complete the dyke And in 1890 an amending Act was passed increasing the amount to \$155,000. In 1900 an amending Act was passed increasing the sum of \$94,000, which was intended by the Act of 1898 for dykes in Agassiz, Hatzic, Surrey and New Westminster district to be used in strengthening and

zic, Surrey and New Westminster district to be used in strengthening and completing the dykes in the Chilliwack and other districts.

Still the Chilliwack dykes remained incomplete and in 1902 an amending Act was passed increasing the amount for this district to \$265,000. Of this amount \$21,801.03 was for protection works along the banks of the Fraser river and should not be charged against the Chilliwack district.

Cost of Construction. The cost or constructing all the dykes

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Army's Fate Is Unknown

Decided Anxiety in St. Petersburg to Learn Happenings In Manchurla.

The amount payable on 50 acres of land each year would be as follows:

Russians Losing Heavily in Rear guard Actions Pursued by

to day the search of the search of the settlers complained that they were compelled to pay them the search of the

NOTEWORTHY INCIDENT. Prussian Sovereign and French Ambassador Dine at Same Table.

Berlin, March 17.—Emperor William will dine with M. Birhoud, the French ambassador, tonight. As this is the first time since the war with France that a Prussian sovereign has eaten at the French embassy, a certain political interest attaches to the incident.

SERIOUSLY BURNED BY GAS.

Nanaimo, March 17.—(Special)—
Thomas Mills, underground managet, and were removed to many burned by gas in No. Junite doty.
Both men were burned about the face, hands and neck, and were removed to the British neet, and were needed, and firty, were saved the cargo the continued by the morning of a reprinciple of the grounding repairs. The wheel toden of the British neet, and the advention of the justice of the continued suspension by order in the total to the population of the justice of the continued suspension by order in the total to the population of the justice of the continued suspension by order in the total to the population of the justice of the continued suspension by order in the total to the population of the justice of the continued suspension by order in the total tota

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bane. The freight brought by the steamer was:

Fifteen hundred carcases mutton, 1,056 cases fruit, 200 bunches bananas, 1,100 cases onions, 700 boxes butter, 800 bags salt, 730 ingots tin, 496 bales hemp, and flax, 95 bales wool, 24 bales leather, 112 bales fur skins, 503 pieces Australian hardwod, 71 packages general cargo, and 60 boxes butter.

The Aorangi brought news that bubonic plague still. prevaris at Brisbane. The plague still prevaris at Brisbane. The control of the port, however, loading at Mereton Bay. News was also received of proposals to make a contract for expeditions carriage of mails from Vancouver to the make a contract for expeditions.

Mr. Macpherson Speaks.

Active Liver Prevents Fermentation of Food.

The Great Source of Indigestion, Sur Stomach, Flatulency, Headache, Vertigo, Constipatio, Despondency and Bad Temper.

Slow passage of the food through the intestines, where the most difficult part of digestion takes place, is the usual cause of indi-As a result of this delay the food ferments

and the digestive organs are filled with gas, giving rise to such symptoms as belching of wind, rising of sour taste in the mouth, smothering sensations in the chest, pains about the heart, heart palpitation, headache and dizziness.

To overcome these distressing symptoms of intestinal indigestion the liver must be awakened to action by the use of such a medicine as Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills.

Once the liver is active there is a good flow of bile, which, as nature's own cathartic, quickens the pace of the food through the intestines, removes the foul impurities and restores good digestion and the regular action of

Symptoms: Coated Tongue.

Headache and Indigestion Sour Stomach. Muddy Complexion.

Wind in the Stomach. Feelings of Weight and Oppression.

Smothering Sensations in the Chest. Pains Under Left Shoulder

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and cure thoroughly because of their direct and specific action on the liver.

Doctors have always looked upon the liver as the controlling organ of the body, and it was with this idea in mind that Dr. Chase perfected his now celebrated family medicine—Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills. How well he succeeded is now evident to

every one who is acquainted with Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills, and knows how quickly they go to the root of trouble and remove the cause of liver, kidney and bowel disorders. Put these pills to the test when your liver

becomes sluggish and torpid and you suffer from indigestion, biliousness or constipation.

You will be surprised to find how promptly they awaken the liver to activity, cleanse and invigorate the filtering and excretory systems and restore good digestion and good bealth

the bowels.

Stomach medicines are of no avail in this, Browsiness After Meals.

Stomach medicines are of no avail in this, Despondency, Bad Temper the most serious form of indigestion. Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills bring prompt relief Biliousness, Constipation.







Von Buelow spoke at some length on the danger of Socialists undermining in-stitutions. He said he was convinced that the civilized world some day would unite in a destructive war against So-cialism.

War Against Socialism

"Is such participation in the war," asked Herr Bebel, "by German ships with German crews and under German flags not a violation of neutrality?"

with German crews and under German flags not a violation of neutrality?"

Chancellor Von Buelow in reply said:
"According to the emphatic assurances of the Hamburg-American Co., the German transport ships must not accompany the Russian squadron. They may only supply coal in certain neutral harbors. The imperial government knows nothing of any illegal pressure upon the crews of the German vessels in Madagascar. When the Russian admiral in the interest of secrecy takes measures to limit the freedom of movement of German sailors in view of the Russian circumstances one can scarcely object. If the Hamburg-American Co. treat the crews differently from the conditions of the contract under the German flag, then the government would hold the company unsparingly responsible. Where lies the slightest proof before us that the company has done anything inconsistent with its obligations?"

The chancellor affirmed that the Socialist party was seeking to embroit Germany and Russia as it had done everything possible to embroil Great Britain and Germany by poisoning public opinion regarding the North Sea incident.

War Against Socialism

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Baron Heylzu Herinsheim called Chancellor Von Buelow's attention to the recent extension of the Monroe doctrine, which the chancellor should follow with the closest attention. "We German manufacturers already have had sad experiences with the invasion of the West Indies by North American influences," said the baron.

"The United States differential treaty with Cuba hit German labor and the commercial classes of Germany most severely. In San Domingo and Venezuela, and Brazll, too, they are seeking to oust German labor and capital through the Monroe doctrine."

JAPANESE PLACING LOAN. Negotiations With German Bankers on Foot,

New York, March 17.—Negotiations are now under way in Berlin looking to the placing of a Japanese government loan by German bankers. Advices to this effect were received by New York bankers today. A definite announcement on the subject is expected shortly.

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COMPROMISE ON THE SCHOOL QUESTION.

Harmony once more prevails at Ottawa. An agreement has been reached on

consciences, and then conceded enough vast number of men, have not yet sober-

public interests. They leave stains that land and sea, still fresh after victories can never be erased; they leave legacies of momentous character, still unimpairthat can never be evaded. Great Bri- ed in strength and vigor, and in control tain compromised with Spain in 1790 on of every point of vantage; and having in the Nootka question, because of the com- view the untold losses inflicted upon plications in Europe at that time, and Russia, there seems to be but one end to lost the Pacific Coast of North America, a course suicidal in its very conception, south of the 49th parallel, as a conse- and that is absolute, certain, crushing ice. Great Britain compromised with defeat. Without au army, without a the United States after the war of 1812 fleet, without prestige, without financial when the latter was beaten, over the credit, and with internal discord, seeth-Oregon country, and lost the state of ing revolt and the intolerable burdens of Washington in 1846. Great Britain com- war, what will the position of Russia be promised with Old Canada after winning among the nations of the world? This British North America from France, and is, of course, the blackest side of the pichas had the French question ever since. ture. The fortunes of war are uncer-Consequences are never ending. Com- tain and Russia may avert final defeat, promise on principles is the poison of if she does not win, but the contingency is remote. What the end will be no one

The principle at stake in this instance can foretell. It may be that this mamis not the question of Separate Schools, moth Empire, made up of many peoples because that has been legally inherited and the dismembered parts of former by compromise. It is the question of nations, which it has taken centuries to the right of the new Provinces to deal weld together, will itself be dismembered with their schools, subject to the di- and revert to its original elements or be rection of the B. N. A. Act. We con- re-organized into other political combintend, and have contended, that it is not ations. The work and dreams of Peter competent for the Federal authorities to limit the powers of the Provinces in any way in regard to educational matters, which are exclusively within their jurisdiction. If they can limit them in any one particular they can limit them in any other particular. The B. N. A. Act contains all the safeguards that are necessary in the interests of denominational minorities. It follows then, it seems to us, that if they cannot vary in the slightest the provisions of the Act of Condederation, it was intended that they should not legislate at all in the matter. It was doubtless intended that within the four walls of section 93 the provinces should be supreme in their powers. To introduce into the autonomy bill provisions which are exactly parallel with provisions of existing legislation is either an act of supererogation or it is intended to prevent the Legislasion when framing educational measures. It the latter, then it is a limitation of provincial powers and to that extent unconstitutional. The provinces have a right to pass an act containing any provisions they think consistent with their rights. It is for the provinces, in the first instance, to be the judge of what are their powers. If they exceed those competent for the Federal authorities to the Great seem about to suffer the Nemlimit the powers of the Provinces in any esis of a fate as cruel as was that med-

opened it up afresh.

ces. It would be regarded as unduly burdensome upon the industry. THE DISGRACE OF FAILURE. The Province can exercise control and is-The old Rothschild never had dealings with a man who was not a success. the school question. A constitutional and he placarded the fact in his business principle has been compromised on the office. Napoleon would palliate a milialtar of political expediency. Once more tary offence, but never a blunder. In Sir Wilfrid Laurier has carried the day. ordinary experience we see illustrated Henceforth, it will not be denied that he over and over again the truth of the is dictator of the Liberal party and a master of political strategy. Had the Prime Minister started in with a proposition simply to recognize the right of separate schools to exist in the Northwest, he might have been forced to on a pedestal, an example of great rewithdraw even from that, because pressistance against fearful odds, the resure to that end would have been inevit- cipient of royal bouquets, is no longer and a south) at a strong at It was in regard to the recent proposals. By the second of the recent proposals by the country's hope in the persent was detected and the country's hope in the persent was decay to the country's hope in the persent was decay the was contemplated by the country's hope in the persent was decay to the country's hope in the persent was a contemplated by the country's hope in the persent was a contemplated by the country's hope in the persent was a contemplated by the country's hope in the persent year. The country would have controlly in the persent year. The country would not contain the persent year. The country's hope in the persent year. The persent year is a persent was a persent the persent year. The persent year is a persent was a persent the persent year. The persent year is a persent was a persent the country's hope in the persent year. The persent year is a persent has been persent year in the persent year. The persent year is a persent able and possibly as strong as it was the hero of Russia or of the world. So in regard to the recent proposals. By inserting clauses so palpably beyond, in his country's hope in the present war, the breaking point, of their political money to create) and the sacrifice of a try and have the case closed up. to save the principle contended for by ed a Government drunken with ungovto save the principle contended for by the leader and just enough to save the ernable pride. They are prepared to ure and upon whom unjust reflections skins of his English supporters—a pret- tempt the Fates still further. They will have been cast, it may be stated that he ty melodrama, with comedy sufficient to even risk the Baltic fleet, their last line please the Premier and tragedy to alarm of defence, like the throw of a dice, upon the result. To carry on this war their Compromises in practical politics are last vestige of credit is pledged in the from the responsibility for it. inevitable; but compromises on questions money market. Having in view the of principle are never expedient in the prowess of Japan already displayed on

REPORT OF FISHERY DELEGATION The report of the delegation to Otta

The Province can exercise control and issue licences. So also can the Dominion under the decision of the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council—an anomaly, but true. To seek to assert its rights would mean that those engaging in the salmon fishery would require to take out two sets of licences, one from the Provincial and the other from the Dominion authorities, so obviously a hardship as to prohibit the fishing altogether in the present unfavorable conditions which exist. The conditions imposed by the Minister of Marine and Fisheries for a settlement are so unjust that it is impossible for the Provincial Government to accept. Despite the decision of the highest court of appeal, he practically says we must hand over control to the Dominion or he will refuse to deal with the Province or any terms. It addition is defined.

tained in 1902, about a year ago to try and have the case closed up.

In justice to Mr. Fagan, the tax collector in Vancouver, who made the seizure and upon whom unjust reflections have been cast, it may be stated that he acted under instructions at the time from the Government, and that if a blunder were committed, he is absolved from the responsibility for it.

A RAILWAY POLICY.

The tone of Mr. Prefortaine's letter we have referred to the question of Freenus and expenditure as between the Province and the rest of the Dominion. A statement published in the report ture by the Dominion in the Province on account of fisheries amounts to \$408, and that the revenue in respect to the same received by the Dominion amounted to \$545,920, or a difference of \$137,490 in our tayor.

Mr. Prefortaine is not inclined, however, to go back of 1901, and says that taking revenue and expenditure into consideration for the past four years there

The Colonist has been asked to explain more fully its remarks of yesterday with reference to a railway policy. We regret that there should have been a lack of definiteness as to the meaning intended to be conveyed, and we trust that we may be able to render it clear. We do not believe in evading an issue by beclouding it with words.

There are, in our opinion, several general propositions to be kept in mind as governing the situation. terest only; but apart from that the cruisers referred to were built ostensibly

There are, in one is with words.

There are, in one propositions to opinion, several general propositions to opinion, several general propositions to opinion, several general and propositions to deep sea purposes and are of no practical series of the first place that the case of the Province is produced. As a matter of tact, judging a policy, must, with the form of indeed.

Therefore, it follows that the Government and the proposition of the sections in most pressing need of the pressing the present and the Petroposition of th

powers there are two courses open. The Dominion afforties on accessing their power of disallowance or there can be record to the courts, with a final appeal to the Governor-General in Council. Has sens to us that the Dominion Parkis me met might as well insert a general clause in the Autonomy Bill providing the Autonomy Bill provided the Autonomy Bill provided the Autonomy Bill provided the

That fact was pointed to as a distinct discouragement to the principle of small holdings so essential to the settlement of the country. However, it was felt that this was something relating to the administration, rather than to the principle, of the Act, and, doubtless, as a result of the annual conference of assessors and representations from the Department of Finance something will be done to remedy what is obviously opposed to sound principles of taxation.

The practical effect of the Assessment Act in its amended form is to re-

The practical effect of the Assessment Act in its amended form is to reduce the amount of revenue by taxation. We shall expect less from wild lands and personal property. In separate acts provision has been made for taxation in other forms which will add somewhat to the revenue, and we may also expect an increase of revenue on incomes. The new Act, when passed, although coming into effect immediately, will not affect the assessment ately, will not affect the assessment

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the law to take its course and sell or confiscate the lands for such arrears of assessment charges. The latter course, it was felt, would have en-tailed a great hardship on the land-holders and the Government, though tailed a great hardship on the land-holders and the Government, though it would have been strictly within its rights, did not feel that it was justified in taking such extreme measures.

Under the present bill it is proposed to reduce the total liability by wiping out the sum of \$360,278 and making the land liable, as formerly, for the remainder of the obligation, which amounts to \$621,000. In other words, the Government says "we will give the

the Government says "we will give the settlers another chance." Under the new bill Pitt Meadows, instead of paying \$2.72 as the annual assessment per acre, will pay \$1.67. Coquitlam, ining \$2.12 as the annual assessment per acre, will pay \$1.67. Coquitam, instead of paying \$3.21 per acre, will pay \$2.04. The various amounts are about as follows, per acre, for all annual

Chilliwack 1.67.6
In the case of Chilliwack it will be observed that only a very small reduction has been made. This is owing to the fact that the annual assessment for that district under the old arrangement was very much lower than will be the lowest assessment under the new arrangement, and on the whole, the conditions in Chilliwack are much more favorable than those in the other districts.

It is very little was failed.



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When asked to come to romp and play, When told a task to do that day, He hung his head and lazily cried:

When purchasing his daily bread,
"I have not cash today," he said;
"I'll pay the bill
Tomorrow."

When thoughts of death crept up round,
He thought to buy six feet of ground,
Yet putting off with the old cry:
Tomorrow.
But once for all he's up to time;
Today he died e'er bells did chime.
In strangers' ground they bury him—
Tomorrow.
ROBERT A. BATCHELOR. When thoughts of death crept up

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Local. News

(From Friday's Daily.)

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The Halibut Co.—Mr. L. S. Eaton, secretary of the British Pacific Fishing Go., has returned from Seattle, where he arranged for the purchase of certain fishing stores not obtainable in British Columbia. He reports that considerable of the company's stock can be disposed of in Seattle, but as some of the directors object to the sale of stock to Americans, the deal has not yet been closed. It is certainly a question whether it is advisable to allow United States investors to profit by an industry established by Canadians, and protected by the fishery laws of the Dominion. If sufficient stock is sold in Canada to enable the company to start operations it will not be necessary to dispose of any across the line.

The Halibut Co.—Mr. L. S. Eaton, Shamrocks From the Ould Sod.—Mrs. J. B. McDowell of 122 Chatham street, who has relatives living in Dublin, received yesterday a little box of shamrocks. The box came in excellent condition, the shamrocks being very little withered after their long journey.

Quatsino Pulp Lands.—Timber cruisers have resumed work on the reserve for the Quatsino Power and Pulp Company, and surveyors will follow them in three or four weeks. The plans for the pulp and saw mills of the company are being prepared and active operations will begin as soon as possible.

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Bought Locomobile.—At the auction sale held by Mr. Hardaker yesterday of the effects of Mrs. Le Poer Trench there was a good attendance and some spirited bidding. The locomobile offered for sale was knocked down to Mr. L. G. Quagliotti, the price paid being \$120. Some repairs are necessary to the boiler to put the machine in running condition.

Cumberland's Ambition—The citizens of the newly incorporated town of Cumberland. Comox district, are complaining of inadequate post office and custom house facilities, and have passed a strong resolution setting forth their needs, and have forwarded the same to W. Sloan, M. P., urging him to use his influence in the matter immediately.

Annual Meeting—B. J. Palmer, local secretary of the Victoria Lumbering and tt. Manufacturing Co., Ltd., has given notice that pursuant to the bylaws of the annual general meeting will be company to the company the annual general meeting will be company the company the annual general meeting will be company the annual general meeting will be company the company the annual general meeting will be company the company the annual general meeting will be company the company

be held at the company's office, No. 34½ Government street, on Monday, April 3 next, at 2 p. m., for the purpose of electing directors and transacting any other business that may be brought for-ward.

Duncans Preparing—The Duncaus Agricultural Association is already making preliminary arrangements for the annual fall show under the auspices of that society. In this connection G. W. Mellon, secretary of the association, paid a visit to the city on Saturday. He expects the fair to be a splendid success this year notwithstanding the attraction of the Dominion explosition at New Westminster.

Big Brick Contract—In connection with the announcement of the awarding of the contract for the superstructure of the big C. P. R. tourist hotel, it is to be mentioned that no fewer than 3,000,000 bricks will be used in the building. It is understood that the contract for supplying the same will be awarded to local firms. This will imply that 3,000 loads of the material will be handled from the yards at the north end of the city, giving employment to a large number of men and horses.

Handsome Pleasure Craft—An important acquisition to Victoria's flotilla of small pleasure craft was launched yesterday from the ways of Mr. Stevens near the E. & N. wharf, this being a handsome launch, 27 feet in length overall, with eight feet beam, which in materials and workmanship is an example of the finest in shipbuilding. The new craft will be provided with powerful machinery and will serve as tender to Mr. James Dunsmuir's steam yacht Thistle—for up-river and other excursions in comparatively shallow waters. ions in comparatively shallow waters

City Hall Affairs—In the absence of Mayor Barnard, who is on private business in the east, and who is not likely to return for four weeks yet, matters are quiet in city hall affairs in respect to large matters; and it is improbable that much business of importance will be transacted at tomorrow evening's meeting of the council. Inquiry amongst the aldermen yesterday elicited the information that the statement contained in the despatch from Toronto respecting the sale of city bonds was probably correct, and it was hinted that Ald. Goodacre, as acting mayor, will make an announcement in this connection tomorrow evening.

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Some could be brought to the city. Not until the steel arrived, though, ing Army.

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The Russians in all directions fought splendidly, making desperate stands and holding their positions until forced out by the flanking movements. The holding of the villages in the angle against General Oku's army particularly was valuable, as it allowed the main force along the Shakhe to retire in good order.

The destruction of the railroad bridge across the Hun river probably will interfere greatly with the Japanese use of the railroad to bring up supplies. This is the first time the Russians have attempted to destroy the railway.

The Japanese captured enormous quantities of supplies and ammunition at various places, and it is believed that the retreating Russians carried off only a small quantity.

A conservative estimate places the forces engaged at 350,000 on each side, and the total number of men on both sides at more than 1,000,000.

The whole movement was so extensive and so quietly carried out that details cannot be obtained. The surrounding of Mukden was the best strategical movement accomplished by the Japanese during the war.

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death almost the whole island.

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The Provincial Legislature

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some qualification to be introduced by the Provincial Secretary to prevent abuses of the privilege.

Mr. Hall moved that "no person domiciled in this province (save those exempted from the provisions of this act) shall at any time hunt, kill or take any of the anymals protected by this act snan at any time nunt, kill or take any of the animals protected by this act, without being authorized by licence; such licence to be issued by any government agent upon payment of two dollars, and to continue in force during the current game season."

If the committee could not see its way clear to accept the amendment he suc-

clear to accept the amendment, he suggested that something should be done to prevent small boys using guns.

Hon. Mr. Fulton thought the amendment was right in principle, but considered the time inopportune for adopting it.

The Finance Minister moved the second reading of the bill to amend the Assessment Act. In doing so, he reviewed the incidents which led up to the appointment of the commission to assist conclusions as to the best methods of taxation, and remarked that the present bill was, in large measure, based on their report. He explained the various sections of the bill, in line with the resume which has already appeared in the Colonist.

known to contain great resources of iron, coal, oil, silver, lead, gold, copper, and to be covered with limitless quantities of fine timber, besides containing many million acres of diversified farming and grazing land. They only require population, capital and means of transportation. The basis of all industry, the natural resources of the soil, is already there. The problem, therefore, is to provide population, capital and means of transportation for the unoccupied portions of British Columbia:

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"And whereas the natural resources of the unoccupied lands, made intelligently available to the surplus population and surplus capital of other parts of the world, may themselves be made to supply the means necessary to provide the railroads, irrigation, canals, and wagon roads, which can alone make them productive. The methods of stimulating railroad construction, so far in vegue, have never gone beyond the idea of burdening the already productive resources of the province with taxation to open up new districts. It is quite clear that if the natural resources of unoccupied lands could be made the means of building railways to open up these lands, the already productive resources of the province would not only be relieved of a heavy burden, but the work of development by means of railways construction could be carried out much more rapidly:

"Therefore be it resolved, that this

way construction could be carried out much more rapidly:

"Therefore be it resolved, that this House declares the province of British Columbia should issue 30,000,000 acres of land scrip, carrying with it the right of location on any of the crown lands which are unoccupied, and the right to everything that is in the land or on it; it should be issued in denominations of 40, 80, 160, 320 and 640 acres, at the uniform price of 51 per acre; the proceeds to be used (1) in paying off the provincial debt; (2) providing a school fund; (3) adding the construction of rail-gation canals in the semi-arid districts and in building wagon roads."

IN A GREEN OLD AGE.

Manuel Garcia Celebrates His One Hundredth Birthday. London, March 17.—Manuel Garcia the well-known professor of singing of the University of London, and inven-tor of the laryngoscope, who made his the University of London, and inventor of the laryngoscope, who made his debut eighty years ago at the old Park Theatre in New York, is celebrating his hundredth birthday today in remarkably good health. King Edward, Emperor William and the King of Spain all decorated him this morning.

Dr. Harmon Smith offered the congratulations of the New York Academy of Medicine, and a similar communication was received from McGill University.

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which has already appeared in the Colonist.

Mr. J. A. Macdonald moved the adjournment of the debate.

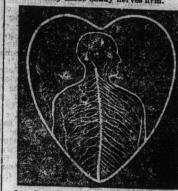
The House rose.

Notices of Motion.

Mr. Houston gives notice that he will move on the motion, "That Mr. Speaker do now leave the chair," for the purpose of going into committee of supply, an amendment thereto, by adding the fcllowing words after "chair":

"Whereas there are, roughly speaking 230,000,000 acres of unoccupied crown lands in the province of British Columbia. These lands are, in the main, unoccupied and unproductive because they are inaccessibe. They are known to contain great resources of iron, coal, oil, silver, lead, gold, copper, and to be covered with limittee.

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such as the Princess Victoria figure therein as new "vessels arriving," whereas in a sense they are simply a multiplication of trips. In other words these returns give the number of vessels arriving as something like 1,100, whereas there were only about 450 actual entrances last year. And so it is with respect to such statistics generally. Of these entrances pilotage was charged on 150.

A great variety of information

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A great variety of information touching the pilotage question in all its ramifications is being prepared for the consideration of the convention of commissioners, which meets here on Wednesday next.



RUSSIAN GIANT SHAKING

A Russian giant, who measures feet 2 inches in height, has been crea feet 2 inches in height, has been creating great commotion in his movements about London and other English cities, and has just completed an automobile tour-from London to Brighton. Crowds surrounded him most of the time during the progress of the trip. Machnow drove along the promenade at Brighton and stopped outside the Old Ship Hotel, where a photograph was taken of him standing up in the 24 horse-power Napler automobile.

Napler automobile. Some idea of the giant's great height some idea of the giant's great height may be formed from the fact that Machnow shook hands with a young woman who was looking out of the first floor window of the George Hotel, Crawley. This incident was naturally he source of great amuseme

RUSSIAN COURT GOSSIP. Interesting Stories of Imperial Life at Tearskoe-Selo.

St. Petersburg, March 17.—Many interesting stories of occurrences at Tsarskoe-Selo.

St. Petersburg, March 17.—Many interesting stories of occurrences at Tsarskoe-Selo are current in St. Petersburg drawing rooms, where sometimes court news first leaks out.

The most important statement is that Emperor William early this week strongly advised Emperor Nicholzs to conclude peace, and tendered his good offices. The Russian Emperor is declared to have declined, answering that it was impossible under the present circumstances. According to the story, M. Witte, president of the committee of ministers, was at the Alexandra palace when Emperor William's message was received, and Emperor Nicholas asked his opinion. M.—Witte is reported to have replied that he was ready to implore His Majesty on bended knees to accept the advice, whereupon Emperor Nicholas showed great displeasure, and M. Witte again requested to be relieved of his functions as president of the committee of ministers.

According to another story, M. Pannine, the Empress' drawing master, now a real court favorite, is credited with writing the last manifesto. Still another story is to the effect that when General Stoessel lunched with the Emperor, His Majesty did not ask him a single question about Port Arthur.

So far as the Pannine story is concerned, the Associated Press knows that to be the verlest nonsense, and the others probably are only idde gossip, in which St. Petersburg likes to induge.

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In view of the reports about the peasant situation, small bodies of troops have been despatched from Moscow and ether centres for emergency purposes to the districts affected.

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South Range, Digby Co., N. S., November 22nd.
"I want to tell you that Royal Household Flour is the best I ever used in all my life, and the only kind I will have as long as I can get it." (Signed.) MRS. ALEX. PORTER.

To any woman sending in name and address to The Ogilvie Flour Mills Co., Limited, Montreal, and mentionning this paper, these recipes will be sent FREE.

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Mr. Paterson said that some unoccupied lands were held at from \$5 to \$25 per acre. In the Chilliwack district they were very valuable. He mentioned that according to report Mr. Paterson had purchased lands near the Westmin-ster bridge for \$10 per acre.

Mr. Paterson said be bought the lands at public auction.

Hon. Mr. Green remarked that he had not suggested, and did not care, how they were bought. He simply mentioned the purchase as being open to comparison as to price with lands within the dyke.

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The bill provided that credit would be given for payments heretofore made under previous assessments—such credits to be applied on first and succeeding assessments under capital account. It also provided that annual payments were payable on December 31 each year. If not paid by the following February notice would be given that land would be advertised and sold on the third Monday in the following April. Old assessments were cancelled and a new beginning made.

In conclusion Hon, Mr. Green submitted a statement of the control of the cont

might stand over for six months, remarking that it was St. Patrick's day. He moved that the House adjourn.

The Premier took the suggestion in the same humor in which it was given and intimated that in view of the natural desire of members to get through with the business of the session, adjournment might just as well be deferted until the order paper was disposed of. The debate was adjourned.

The bill to establish and protect highways passed second reading. Briefly the Act provides that roads on which money is expended shall be declared to be public highways; also that certain dams shall be constructed only upon obtaining consent of the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works. It also stipulates that irrigation works must not cause damage to public highways, and that flumes, etc., couveying water across a highway must be constructed to the satisfaction of the Chief Commissioner.

Railway Charters Pass.

The House rose.

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In moving the adjournment of the House the Premier good-naturedly advised members that their presence was desired on the campus on Monday morning, to pose for their pictures, before the camera of a photographer. He suggested that the opposition representatives should endeavor to appear as cheerful as possible on the occasion.

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New York Board of Health Deal With Peculiar Outbreak.

The House rose.

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Victoria Harbor Imp Dredging in the inner harbor sing, but the new dredger required urgently, and until ithe work of dredging the haproceed satisfactorily; the properties of the proceed satisfactorily; the properties of the wharf, and there is now in at that point 16 feet of wate over Dredger rock, which is way, and has only a depth. The work done in deepening will be of no great advant port until Dredger rock is a depth of 16 feet to corrette surrounding depth.

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Committee Waits On Railway Men

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Burdock Blood Bitters Saved Her Life.

Read what Mrs. Wm. Castilloux, New port, Quebec, has to say about Burdock Blood Bitters :- "Last December I fell from anyone, and am now well, and able ported. to do my own work. I told a lady friend way, and she used it with equal success.

ent staff in the department at Ottawa was not so high as to believe them com-petent to frame an act to meet the re-quirements of Victoria.

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Board of Trade Again Takes
Step For Island Development.

To Draft Act For Harbor Commission—National Park Is
Favored.

Island railway extension, the question of the expediency of drafting an act for the expediency of drafting an act for the appointment of harbor commission—without salaries were different. All that Victoria had not necessarily affect. Victoria, as conditions at the two ports were different. All that Victoria had sked for was the appointment of an honorary commission—without salaries. Mr. Kingham—"Except the secretary, who would be paid a salary."

Continuing, Mr. Morley thought it was entirely wrong for the council to attempt to contrave the action of the board of trade, held yesterday evening. President S. J. Pitts presided.

On the question of Island railway extensions on Vancouver Island were matters debated at length at a well-attended adjourned monthly general meeting of the board of trade, held yesterday evening. President S. J. Pitts presided.

On the question of Island railway extensions on Vancouver Island two highly extensions on Vancouver Island to which public aid might be given.

The recommendation of the Central Farmers' Institute that the board as hand forest reserve, carried unanimously, the only debatable point being the location of the same.

Respecting the creation of a board of harbor commissioners, some discussion hards was then taken up. Mr. Lugrin seconded this.

A resolution by the Central Farmers' Institute for the promotion of a national park was then taken up. Mr. Lugrin seconded the principle of approving harbor commissioners; the effect that the heard obtained the information from Montreal. There could be one reason for any undue haste-they should lay the matter over for one week until the sector of any undue haste-they should not necessarily affect. Victoria, as conditions at the two ports were different. All that Victoria had not reason for any undue haste-they should lay the matter over for one week until the sector of any undue haste-they should

Institute for the promotion of a national park was then taken up. Mr. Lugrin explained that the proposed site was in the neighborhood of Cameron lake, the area being ten miles square and a very promotion of the control of the contr beautiful place, quite a natural park, in some places splendidly wooded.

P. C. McGregor could not agree with the suggested location. It should be located where the herds of elk are, and should be outside of the E. & N. belt. The location should not be made has-

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Grey or Green Islands—Lighthouse and fog alarm.

We are pleased to report that the C. P. R. Co. are taking up the matter with the Tramway Co. with the prospect of Friser River—Lightship, sandheads. Cape Beale—Fog alarm.

Lookout Island, Quatsino Sound—Lighthouse.

All of which is respectfully submitted. J. W. TROUP.

Mr. Morley was glad that the question was being again brought forward. He could not see, however, after what the committee had learned from Montreal, what good it would do to postpone further the drafting of an act. This latter task, he thought, should be left in the hands of the government at Ottawa. He moved that the report be adopted in toto, including the clause which the committee, and that the report be adopted in toto, including the clause which the committee had not passed.

The president said the hoard had done all its duty by the special committee, and that the report has the committee thought it would be well to make it absolutely necessary that the people's interests of the counding the clause which the committee, and that the proposition' through thick and thin are now about to reap the reward they so discovered that the C. P. R. was not as get seeking a charter to build to the normal with the committee had a very satisfactory interview with the officials respecting the running powers of other roads. The railway commission was said to be all-powerful in protecting the interests of the coundities.

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MANY TROPHIES OF WAR. Japanese Legation at Washington Advised of Captures.

Washington, March 17.-The Japawashington, March 17.—The Japanese legation has received the following from the foreign office at Tokio: "Railway station and other facilities for communication at Tie pass are in nearly as good condition as those at Liaoyang after its fall. Of the large quantities of Russian provisions and fodder stored nearly two-thirds have been burned by the enemy. The trophies are considerable, but have not yet been counted. The prisoners taken in the direction of our right are numerous, but the exact number is not yet reported."

ALLAN LINER OVERDUE. of mine who was troubled in the same Fear That Machinery of Hungarian Has Broken Down.

Portland, Me., March 17.—Slight anxiety is felt for the Allan line steamship Hungarian, which is a week overdue. Nothing has been heard since she left Glasgow February 25. It is believed that some accident has happened to her machinery.

Much Money For Work In Cariboo

B. Hobson of the Consolidated Hydraulic Home From Montreal.

Five Hundred Thousand Dollars Voted to Secure Additional Water Power.

Looking the picture of health and wearing that particular smile of satisfaction which distinguishes a man whose business plans have been crowned with success, J. B. Hobson, general manager of the Consolidated Cariboo Mining Company, Ltd., arrived in the city yestereday evening from Montreal and registered at the Driard hotel.

To a Colonist reporter who interviewed him yesterday evening Mr. Hobson said he was again glad to be back in pretty Victoria, which city he characterized as the best residential point on the entire coast line from Mexico north. Speaking of the result of his mission to Montreal, he said he was very glad to report that the company had decided to expend a sum of \$500,000 in order to improve the water facilities for hydraulicking purposes. So huge is the undertaking that the balance of this year will be spent in taking levels and making surveys, and next year the actual work of laying pipes and digging the canal will be taken up. The distance to be traversed in carrying out this work is approximately seventeen miles. Employment will be given to an army of 1,000 men, and thus a large amount of money will be distributed in the district. men, and thus a large amount of money will be distributed in the district.

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The large area and the high grade of the alluvial deposits included in the company's mines, accompanied with all other requirements for financial success, warrants the expenditure required for the procuring of a permanent supply of 5,000 miner's inches of water, the product of which in addition to that of the water supply now available would no doubt pay the cost thereof in one or two seasons, and will place the property on a basis for large and profitable production.

in protecting the interests of the country; but the committee thought it would be well to make it absolutely necessary that the people's interests should be safeguarded—also the interests of rival railway companies, who should have equal privileges.

Mr. Morley moved the adoption and amendment of the report in the manner ortlined.

This was seconded by W. H. Marcon, who said the people should watch corporation encroachments in every way.

The motion carried.

P. C. Macgregor thought a committee of the board of trade should wait on the railway officials and press upon them the necessity of extending the road to the north end of the Island.

Replying to Mr. Morley, Mr. Lugrin, who was chairman of the former coammittee which waited on Messrs. Morse and Hays on a former occasion, said the situation was fully and completely explained on that occasion. The report made by the committee of his interview was published. The very strongest arguments looking to the advancement of Victoria's transportation interests were made to Messrs. Hays and Morse.

Respecting the extension of the line to the north end of the Island, it should be arranged to secure similar running privileges for all railway companies, "If we were in earnest, the council was naturated by the committee by the most vigorous action. All the Island boards of trade should go jointly to the government and urge the matter upon them."

The report was adopted.

MANY TROPHIES OF WAR.

President Roosevelt Guest of Honor to mich was the guest of honor to might at the 121st annual dinner of the Friendly Sons of St. Patrically Sons of St.

UNEASINESS IN WARSAW. Mobilization Order in Poland Leads to Threats to Strike.

Warsaw, March 17.—Much uneasiness is felt here and at Lodz in view of the forthcoming mobilization of reserves. The government has requisitioned all the people in this district.

The workmen in the big factories here threaten to strike tomorrow, and some of the men in the smaller factories walked out today.

A DISORGANIZED ARMY. Stampede From Tie Pass to Harbin Described by Correspondent.

Paris, March 17.—The correspondent at Harbin of the Morning Matin gives a graphic description of the disorganization witnessed during their journey from Tie pass to Harbin. The wounded, the correspondent says, were lying exposed and unattended everywhere and the soldiers were unable to obtain provisions. Hundreds of stragglers cannot find their regiments. The trains hastening to Harbin were frequently attacked by Chinese bandits who at several places displaced rails. Russian officers are indignant, stating that the retreat was ordered when the positions at Tie pass were tenable.

The Colonist ascertained yesterday on very excellent authority that the Victoria Terminal Railway & Ferry Co. has abandoned all its negotiations looking to the arriving at a settlement with the corporation for the paying of the outstanding subsidies, and the reinstitution of the ferry service for the handling of passenger traffic connecting with the Great Northern on the Mainland. In other words, a determination has been reached not to disturb the status quo—the freight will be handled by barges when it is offered; but an arrangement has been made for the carriage of all passengers by the C. P. R. Thus is ended a long-standing and acrimonious dispute between the railway company and the corporation—a dispute which bade fair at one time to result in costly ktigation to both contending parties.

A SPORTSMAN'S TROUBLES. Mr. Pockington Tells of His Experiences With Game Law and Police. Mr. Pockington, an Englishman, who

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Sealing Schooners Which Hunted Off Cape Horn Heard From -Queen City in.

(From Saturday's Daily.)

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MOBILIZATION AND REVOLUTION.

Polish Official Predicts Trouble if Another Army is Called Out.

Warsaw, March 16.—One of the highest of the state of Captain Stromgren and associates in Poland said today: "It is all very well to talk of continuing the war, but with no leaders, no generals, no soldiers, no guns, and the theatre of war so far away, we are unable to transport troops quickly, and the war, but with no leaders, no generals, no wappears to be ended. It is true we have soldiers in the empire, but it is impossible to withdraw them from central and southern Russia to Manchuria while the disturbances continue. All is quiet in Poland now, but let orders for mobilization be given, and we will have a revolution."

(From Saturday's Daily.)

Delegates from British Columbia and Nova Scotia are urging upon the Dominion government the granting of a bonus on a tonuage basis to promote the shipbuilding industry on the Canadian sea-coasts. It is understood that a bonus of \$5 a ton is sought. The Nova Scotia government has offered an additional brons, it is said, on vessels built at Nova Scotian yards. This movement is of especial interest to Victoria, where the shipbuilding industry is growing continually. At the present time there are one or more projects under way for the building of steamers. One of these is that of Captain Stromgren and associates, who intend to build at the Wallace Bros. yard at Vancouver, the keel of which had been laid, will not now be built. This report, however, cannot at present be veri

Sealing Schooners E. B. Marvin and Enterprise Will Not Come Here.

The two sealing schooners which were ordered to Victoria from Cape Horn are not continuing their voyage to this port; instead they are returning to Halifar, according to letters which have been received in the Enterprise, which vessel, to gether with the E. B. Marvin, have put into Rio de Janiero to land her catch.

The Enterprise, commanded by Captain Le Blanc, took 1,200 skins and the E. B. Marvin 1,600. The writers said that owing to mishaps to the schooners, the nature of which was not stated, the vessels would not continue their voyage to Victoria as originally intended. Captain Le Blane and Captain Anderson were said to have decided to return to Halifar, as nearest to kin of the late J. C. McLagan, sen.

SLOCUM DISASTER LESSON

some responsible official, and so against the provincial government.

The new C. P. R. A. E. Barrett, contractor, of Seattle awarded to Mr. A. E. Barrett, contractor, of Seattle and Value of the Demonth of the Chatain was been awarded to Mr. A. E. Barrett, contractor, of Seattle awarded to day with Mr. R. Marpole for the railway company. The definite amount of the contract for the new C. P. R. A. E. Barrett, contractor, of Seattle August III and the details in connection with the affair were settled today with Mr. R. Marpole for the railway company. The definite amount of the contract for the province in the Dominon with the exception of Prince Edward Island.

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QUEEN CITY

Steamer Queen City, Captain Townsend, reached port last night from Quatsino and way ports of the Vancouver Island coast. The steamer had a rough trip, being delayed at Quatsino Sound for forty-two hours on account of a gale blowing into the Sound. The steamer brought among her passengers two prisoners, seamen of the sealing schooner Eva Marie, of Captain Jacobsen, who were sentenced to two weeks' imprisonment for refusing duty. At the other ports most of the schooners had already put to sea.

Among the passengers of the steamer

New York Legislature Passes Measure to Protect Passengers.

Albany, N. Y., March 17.—The first of the legislative measures that resulted from the General Slocum disaster reached Governor Higgins today and was promptly signed. This was the bill requiring excursion boats to carry at least one life-preserver for each passenger.

TRAGEDY ON NEW YORK "L."

Angry Crowd Pushes Man From Platform and He is Mangled.

Instead of Fruit.

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The estate of the late Paul I. Chille, de-ceased, situated at Nicola Lake, Yale Dis-crict, B. C., containing some 1,700 acres, and with dwelling house, stable, sheds and and with dwelling house, stable, shede and implements necessary for working the ranche; also some 220 cattle and 8 horses. The property is situated on the Nicola coal field, about a quarter of a mile from Nicola Lake Post Office, and is one of the most beautiful locations in the country. Tenders will be received by the undersigned for the ranche and cattle, together or separately, up till 1st May next. Parties wishing for further information will be supplied with full particulars chapplication.

February 1, 1905.

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This page has been placed gratuitously at the disposal of the Tourist Association to draw attention to matters that might make Victoria more attractive as a "City of Homes" and resort for health and pleasure. Carrying out of idea has been in hands of Secretary Cuthbert



VICTORIA'S CLIMATE

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Much has been said and written, since the inauguration of the tourist movement in Victoria, of the advantages which the city possesses in temperature and rainfall in comparison with other cities in Canada, and even with those of the North Pacific coast, but few people have really any idea of how great those advantages are. It is one thing to state that we have the most temperate climate on the Pacific Coast, or in Canada, in summer and the mildest in winter, and it is another thing to prove it by figures. The same may be said of the smallness of our rainfall in comparison with that of the cities of the Coast north of San Francisco.

The Tourist Association has endeavored since its inauguration to impress upon the people in outside cities, especially those in parts of the country where the thermometer varies from 110 degrees in the summer down to 60 degrees (below) in winter, that the city does enjoy a mildness of climate which should be attractive to them, and to convince our own people of the immense value to the city of having such a climate. The particulars published, however, have been more or less fragmentary, and while showing the advantages of our climate during one portion of the year, the exact figures for the year round have not before been published. In order to give the desired information to a very wealthy gentleman, who contemplates spending next winter in our city and has written for particulars of our winter climate, Mr. Baynes Reed very kindly supplied the following particulars of our climate during the past fourteen months:

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than 22.7, so that even in the early morning we have never had more than 10 degrees ture than 39.3. The figures on rainfall are particularly interesting and very gratify ing, showing that we have a much smaller rainfall throughout the year than any of the great tourist resorts in England. When we compare this climate with that of California, the greatest tourist reort in America, and knew that the year round there is scarcely such a thing known here as an enervating day, and that the average man can stand this Northern climate better than he can the one to the south of us ians ought to realize that one of the greatest assets we have in building up Victoria as a city of homes and a tourist and vacation resort for summer and winter, is our climate, and that it has an immense financial value. We can do nothing better than to publish these facts to the world.

SALT-WATER SWIMMING

One of the most important proposals that has been made to the Trourist Association since its inauguration is one that is now receiving the serious attention of the attractions and seabathing committee. It is from a gentleman who is an expert in the water under all circumstances and who is a capable engineer, and who is willing, as far as expedient, to put his own money into the proposal.

The scheme contemplated calls for the erection of a bathing pavillon at Oak Bay, in which wil be constructed two large swimming tanks, where the water will be heated to a temperature of from 70 to 120 degrees. In this same building there will be all kinds of silpper, medicinal and other baths; in fact, almost everything that could be found in a first-class resort or sanitarium. It is contemplated to allow the water to be pumped continuously into these large swimming tanks, and the escape to flow into a large lagoon or lake which would enable several hundred people to bathe in the open air when the weather was suitable, and which would offer excellent facilities for aquatic sports.

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The remarkable scenic attractions of Oak Bay would be an important factor in making such a resort a success. Few places in the world have such natural surroundings as Oak Bay, and as the tramway connects it with the city, the

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"As the cadets were lined up last Sunday, and the long-service medals were being presented, the principal of a private school walked up to the five officers who were standing up behind the line of cadets.

"'Why don't you fall in?" he asked.
"'I have, sir,' said the corporal."

A Few Reasons Why Victoria Fences Do Not Come Down •••••••••••••••••

If the boys who steal flowers (in the If the boys who steal flowers (in the summer), break vines, destroy public seats, disfigure the fences and otherwise do pretty much damage, could be caught—as easily as the police bag older offenders—and soundly birched, citizens might be induced to pull down their fences and give visitors a view of their beautiful gardens.

Did it ever strike the average citizen that there are more good, bad and in-different dogs on the streets of Victoria than in any other city in the West?

The Victoria small boy—and some large ones—is a mischievous and destructive individual, whose propensities must be checked before the desired object is attained.

These dogs are not only a public nuisance, especially to storekeepers, but positively dangerous to people driving or cycling. If these dogs could be sent where many amateur gardeners wish where many amateur gardeners them, they would have a "hot"

> A walk through some of our residential streets in certain districts would be a most educational tour for our new and energetic poundkeeper. His prizelist would include dogs, chickens horses, cows—in fact, everything in which he takes a lively interest.

There will be no pulling down or fences while such a state of things

How to Increase Victoria's Popularity As a Residential City and Tourist Resort

Today Victoria occupies a leading position amongst the tourist resorts of America, and literature describing and illustrating its attractions is to be found in all the leading cities and resorts frequented by the traveler in search of relaxation, health or pleasure. This was not so three years ago. It was difficult to learn anything about Victoria anywhere away from home. No one would have dreamed then of describing it as a tourist resort, especially our own citizens. But how different today. Let one take a walk along Government street and notice the store windows. There will be found sufficient evidence that Victoria has all the ear-marks of the usual tourist city. How few letters were received previous to 1902 from people desirous of spending their vacations or of residing here, compared with the thousands since. The reputation the city now enjoys for its scenery, climate and natural surroundings has made everyone who has heard of Victoria, and who contemplates a trip to the Pacific Coast, desirous of visiting us. It is only fair, then, to assume that, through the extensive advertising of the past three years, and on account of the cheap railway rates from all parts of the United States and Canada to Portland, which will be available to Victoria, that an immense number of visitors will be here this year.

The ordinary tourist is often the forerunner of the permanent resident. His trip is often taken to spy out the land for a new home, and especially if he has lived in a rigorous climate, subject to extremes of heat and cold. It is, therefore, essentially necessary that no stone should be left unturned to increase Victoria's attractiveness as a residential city and its penularity as a vacation resort. idential city and its popularity as a vacation resort.

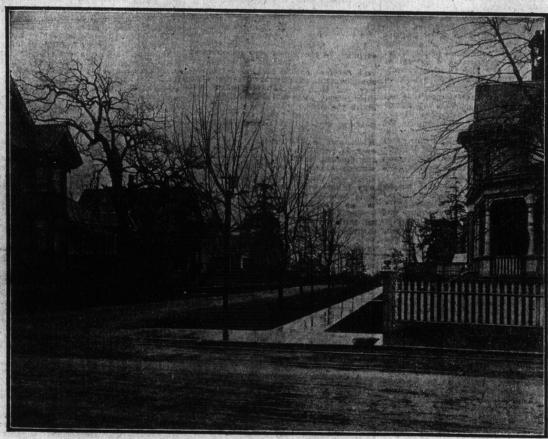
It is a great mistake to assume that this necessity devolves either upon the City Council or the Tourist Association. Individual effort is indispensable. Every citizen should feel a pride and a pleasure in living in a city that has had so many nice things said about it, such as many celebrated travelers have given utterance to during the past few years, and, therefore, should do his uttermost to increase its attractiveness. This applies especially to the property-holder, not only in the public interest, but in his own.

This is the time of year when the good housewife is concerned about her spring cleaning. What a blessing it would be if many people, who, perhaps, have never given it a thought, could catch the spring cleaning fever with reference to the outside of their property. How many tumble-down fences are there that look disreputable, that would stand up straight and be respectable for a few hours' work and 25 cents' worth of nails. How many barren pieces of front yard that seem almost ashamed to be in the same street with their neighbor's little garden, that would blossom and smile at the passer-by for the expenditure of a little labor and 50 cents' worth of flour seeds; and how many cosy homes there are (inside) that now look lost and forlorn, that would attract and please if given a coat of paint. And suppose that every resident in every street got this spring fever and tried his best within his more valuable his property, and how soon would this fair city of ours be taking on a new dress and become more attractive to strangers and make them more inclined to purchase homes here? Last spring one real estate agent sold three houses in one week, chiefly because of their beautiful gardens. It is hoped that many of our citizens will endeavor to make their homes as pretty and attractive a sthose shown in the illustrations.

The Boulevarding of Streets might also receive the attention of those living on thoroughfares wide enough

The Boulevarding of Streets might also receive the attention of those living on thoroughfares wide enough and who wish to improve the appearance of their property and the city. There is no greater object lesson of the beauty of this improvement than Linden avenue and Elliott street. There is no doubt but that this had something to do with the readiness with which the lots on these new streets found purchasers, and it is hoped that every new street that is opened up will be laid out in this way.

To clean the sides of the streets should be the endeavor of the city, especially upon those streets through which the electric cars run, so far as finances will allow. There is no city on the Coast where the streets generally are cleaner than those of Victoria. This has been asserted by strangers time and again, and particularly by the engineers of the several cities in the Northwest when they visited here some time ago. Then, again, the large amount



LINDEN AVENUE AND FORT STREET.

of permanent sidewalks laid last year and in previous years has done much to add to Victoria's appearance and to stamp it as a prosperous and progressive city, and probably this work will go on again vigorously this year.

There are many other matters along these lines that might be dealt with here, such as the re-planting of the flower beds in Bastion Square, the renovating of the fountain, the putting of Pandora street into a children's park, and many other improvements that would go a long way to add to our city's at tractiveness; but perhaps sufficient has been said to induce citizens to act individually, first, and, if so, collective action will not be long delayed.

In order to improve the popularity of Victoria as a resort there is very little that is needed except to establish more amusements; in fact, this is absolutely necessary. It is quite possible to draw a large number of visitors from year to year to admire our scenery and to enjoy our climate, but unless there are means of recreation it will be difficult to get these people more than once; while, if there were a number of amusements in full swing, we would continuously draw a crowd of people; especially from the Sound and near-by cities, to spend a few days whenever they wanted a vacation. In the case of visitors from Eastern points it is just as necessary. Very few people will come from larger cities to spend their winter or summer here if, after they have visited the various points of interest, there is nothing further for them to do and nothing to amuse them; therefore, nothing is so imperative at the present time in order to make this city popular as a resort, as well as a residential city, than that certain amusements should be inaugurated. In this connection a People's Palace is certainly above all others what is required. Those who on fine evenings visited the Douglas Gardens can realize in a measure what enjoyment could be derived from such a place of amusement, where concerts could be given every night in the year, summer and winter, and where innumerable other entertainments and attractions could be provided. The difficulty of raising the necessary capital for such a desirable resort is, of course, the impediment, and it is unfortunate that, unlike some cities of the East and of the Old Country, we have no wealthy people here imbued with such a love for our lovable city to donate such a necessity to us; therefore, it seems as if we must continue to plod along, making the best of what we have and not complaining of what we have not, until the time comes that sufficient capital and enterprise can be secured to accomplish the desired end.

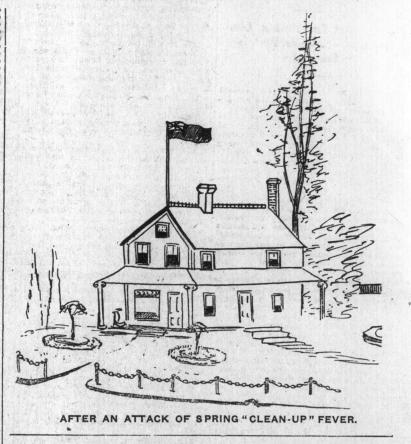
Next in importance is the necessity for public bathing facilities. At present we have not even a swimming bath. The writer remembers twenty years ago in England, cities of a smaller size than Victoria were compelled to provide public baths from a sanitary standpoint. Such being the case, it is inconceivable that in the enlightened west, where most of the people are well-to-do, it is impossible to establish and maintain what is such a necessity, and which, on account of the salt water, would be such an attraction. This is, again, a question of finance.

To persons of limited means, however, who wish to take advantage of the large floating population in the summer in order to embark in some profitable enterprise, there are several things that might be inaugurated—namely, the purchase of a few donkeys or goats for the use of children in the park or at some such place as Oak Bay; the inauguration of glass-bottom boats; the hiring of small yachts to visitors; the inauguration of a small steamboat service from Victoria around to Esqui malt or some other suitable place that would make one or two trips daily for a 50-cent fare, which would not only be found profitable, but add very much to the pleasure of visitors. These are within our reach and should not be difficult to obtain for this summer. Each successive year the business would increase, and so would the popularity of the city

Many of these suggestions can be carried out by individual citizens, and it is hoped that they will be. Very often too much is expected of the city council, associations or corporations, in the belief that they are the only and proper persons to inaugurate these things. These bodies, on the other hand, have usually all they can do in other directions with the money at their disposal. Therefore let every individual this year do his best to improve the appearance of the city and to provide more amusements and recreations, and Victoria will receive a great aid in her progress towards becoming the most attractive, the most pleasant and the most beautiful city in the West and the Pride of the Pacific.



WHAT MUST HAPPEN BEFORE CITIZENS WILL PULL DOWN THEIR FENCES.



FIRST IMPRESSIONS

It is always understood that first im- place on the North American continent

If any of our citizens have had occa-sion to leave home since the new docks were established over James Bay, they were established over James Bay, they fore in this one reature victoria stands will have, from their own sensations out as pre-eminently a most delightful when leaving the boat on their return, and charming city, and we cannot some idea of the impression which must be conveyed to visitors upon their first arriving in our city. There is no with Victoria at first sight.

pressions are the most lasting. Love at first sight, it is said, can never be effaced; no matter what experiences one is called upon to go through in after life, the first attachment will always stand out clear and distinct, apart from the rest. in all other cities on the Pacific Coast the docks or railway stations are in situations which are the reverse of pleasant, let alone attractive. Therefore in this one feature Victoria stands out as pre-eminently a most delightful and charming city, and we cannot wonder if, as we know has been the case, many of our visitors fall in love.

PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS

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Through the courtesy of Dr. I. W. Powell, the Tourist Association has received a large portfolio of pictures of improvements that have been carried out in Ottawa by the Ottawa improvement commission. This is interesting. In view of this issue of the Colonist. The work in Ottawa is costing a very large amount of money, and has been devoted largely to improving the width of existing roadways, in planting trees and shrubs, and in making boulevards, where the old roadways were of very little use in their then condition, and

DO YOU KNOW

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That a very prominent railway man recently in the city stated that if he owned Victoria real estate he would pawn his life insurance to hold on to it.

That a very influentia gentleman, head of a great corporation, who was in the city at the same time, stated that all the signs of prosperity in Victoria at the present time were due to the adventisers. vertising of the past three years. That this same gentleman stated that we would have hundreds of families from Central Canada to spend their winters here if this work were kept up. His own family will be one of them.

That there are some people who have not yet thought of sending the Tourist Association a cheque to help advertise every man's property and every man's business, including his own.

spending \$6 each distribute in hard cash \$90,000 per month, over ten times as much as the Tramway Company does in wages, and equal to any ten industries in the city.

That this scarcely equals the amount of the revenue or profit derived from the tourist travel during the best months of last year, and is not one-half of what it will be this year.

That the city has not to pay one dollar bonus to any company or cor-poration to develop the industry— simply to keep on advertising, amuse the people and beautify the city.

************************************* Offensive Advertising Signs •••••••••••

Under a society which is called the Civic Improvement Association, in the United States, whose object is to create "Beautiful America," a prize was offered some months ago—in fact, several prizes—through the Ladies' Home Journal, for the removal of offensive and obnoxious signs on billboards. The March issue of this paper gives the results. In several cases the utmost difficulty was experienced in accomplishing results, and those winning the prizes went even as far as to buy the

FROM ROSSLAND CAMP. News of the Mines and Tonnage Ship-

Rossland, B. C., March 18.—A. Hill, manager and consulting engineer of the Le Roi No. 2, and Director C. the Le Roi No. 2, and Director C. D. Haggard, who have been here inspecting the properties of the Le Roi No. 2 for the past week, will leave for London tomorrow. Mr. Hill was seen today and he made the important announcement that the intention is to explore the properties of the company to depth. The workings are now down to the 900-foot level, and the intention is to deepen them to a level with the recently found rich ore shoot on the explore the properties of the company to depth. The workings are now down to the 900-foot level, and the intention is to deepen them to a level with the recently found rich ore shoot on the 1,450-foot level of the Le Roi. Mr. Hill said he was negotiating with A. J. McMillan, managing director of the Le Roi, with a view to obtaining his 74,676 tons. consent to reaching the low levels of the Le Roi No. 2 from the lower levels of the Le Roi mine. It was Mr. Hill's impression that such explorations would be of benefit to both mines. The question was still in abeyance, as no agreement had yet been reached. No matter, however, what the result of the negotiations with the Le Roi might be, the policy of the management was for deeper mining. The recent developments in the Le Roi, Centre Star and War Eagle have resulted in the finding of shoots of ore of a consent to reaching the low levels of in the finding of shoots of ore of a high and good grade, and this lends encouragement to the belief that simi-lar results will follow from deeper ex-plorations in the Le Roi No. 2.

Mr. Hill stated that he and Mr. Haggard visited the Trail smelter today,

where a contract had been arranged on fairly good terms for the reduction of the ore of the Le Roi No. 2, which has lately been going to the Granby smelter at Grand Forks.

The Trail smelter has torn down the The Trail smelter has torn down the last of the old Heinze gold-copper furnaces and is putting in a new upto-date furnace with a capacity of 350 tons a day. The old furnace had a capacity of about 150 tons a day. The smelter has now three large gold-copper furnaces with a combined capacity of over 100 tons daily. Besides it has three copper stacks.

WOULD LIKE OUR SENATE. Montreal Star.

Roosevelt likes his job all right; but envy fills his heart whenever he looks across the Canadian border and perceives the kind of senate we have.

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Bill to Amend Ass Committee

Some Important Interest

The Premier Conti on Amendmen

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Mr. Oliver argued ment might be construproperty up to \$499.99 and that \$500 value we the full amount. He quess of this.

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The bill was report amendments.
The bill to establish ways passed the com-

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